



# LENA

with a focus on photosensor R&D

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# Overview

## Low Energy Neutrino Astronomy

- Physics potential
- Detector layout
- Demands on the detector
- Photosensors
  - Requirements
  - Candidate photosensors
  - Measurement of sensor properties
  - Optical module for PMTs

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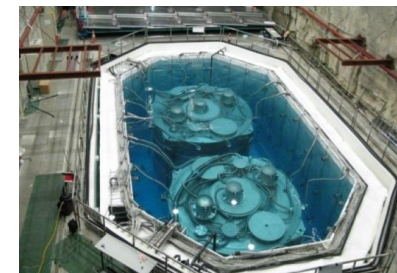
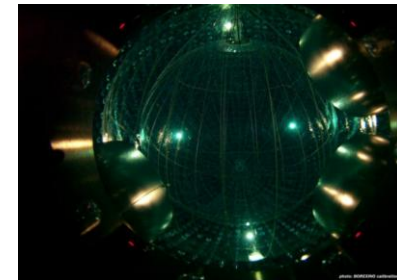
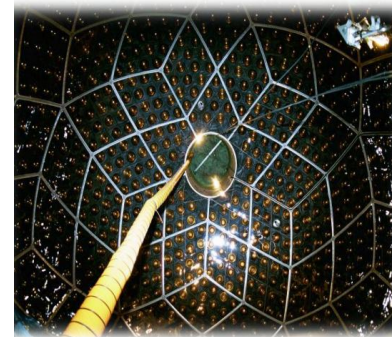
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- Geoneutrinos **Borexino, KamLAND, SNO+**

Liquid scintillator detectors so far have made great contributions already with relatively small target masses:

Baksan (330t), KamLAND (1kt),  
Borexino (280t), Double Chooz (8.3t), Daya Bay (20t), RENO (16t)  
near future: SNO+ (780t)

*What could we achieve with a 50kt detector?*



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Radioactive neutrino source

Pion decay-at-rest beam

Reactor neutrinos

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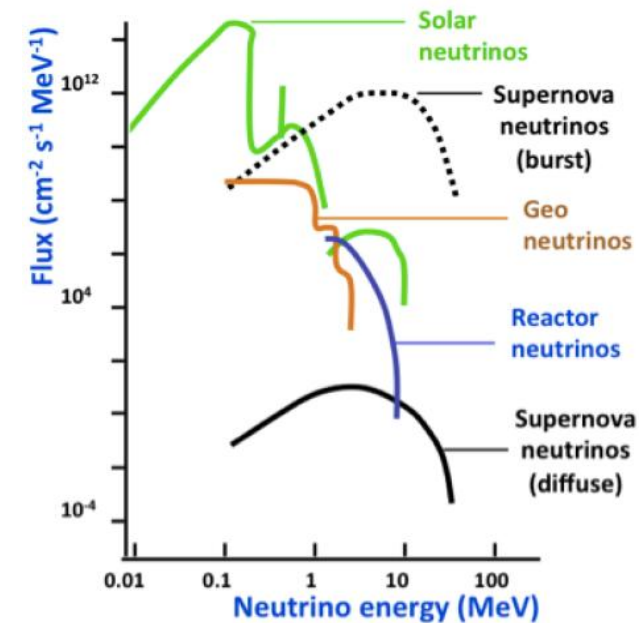
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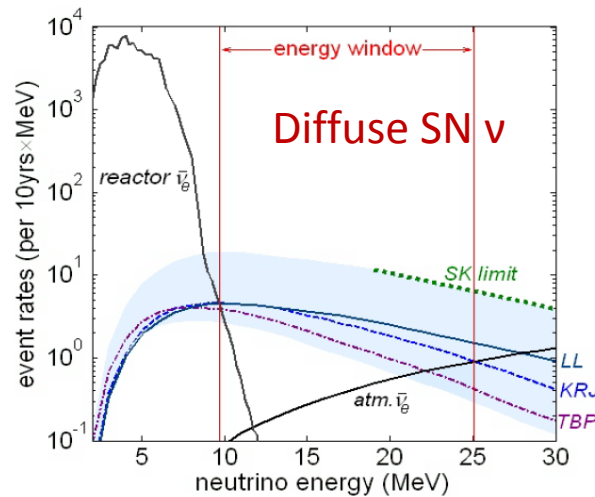
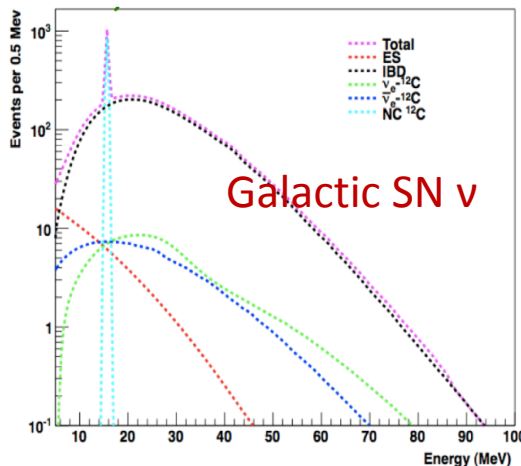


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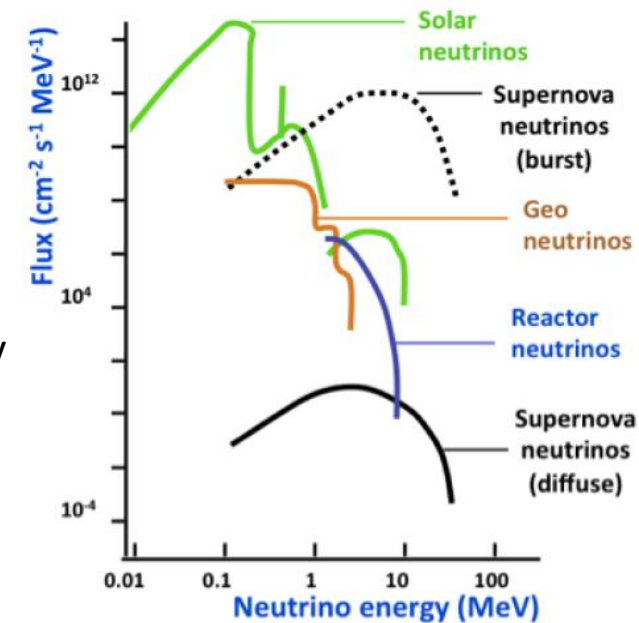


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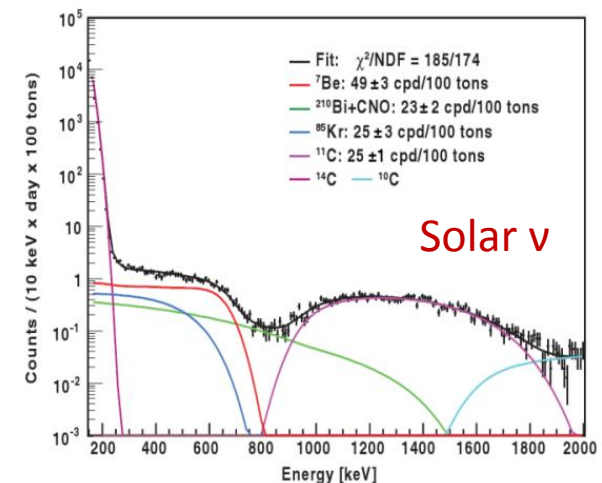
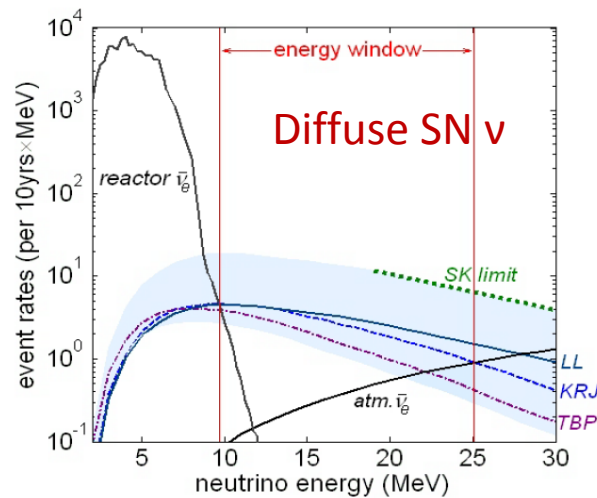
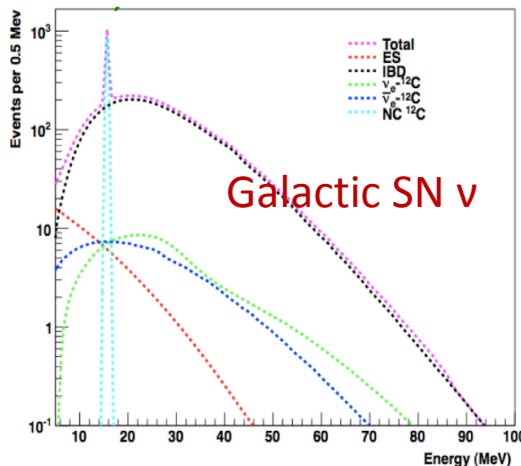


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- **Atmospheric neutrinos:** Precise measurement of  $\Delta m_{23}^2$ ,  $\theta_{23}$ , potentially mass hierarchy
- **Indirect dark matter search:** Via abundances in neutrino spectrum, sensitive to masses  $\approx 10\text{-}100\text{ MeV}$

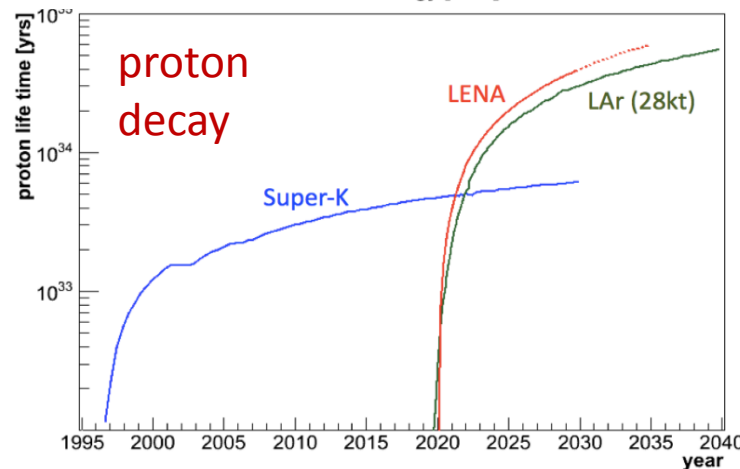
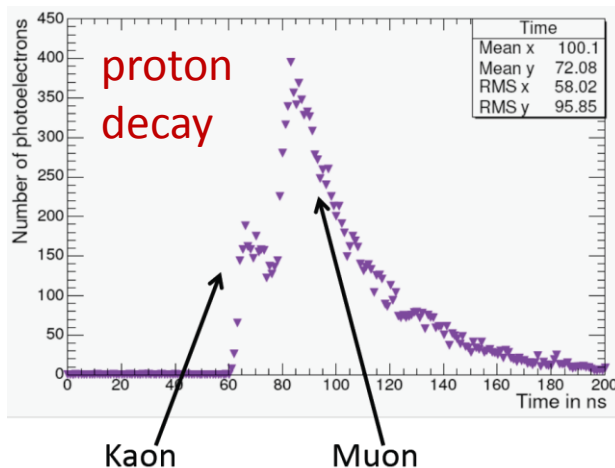
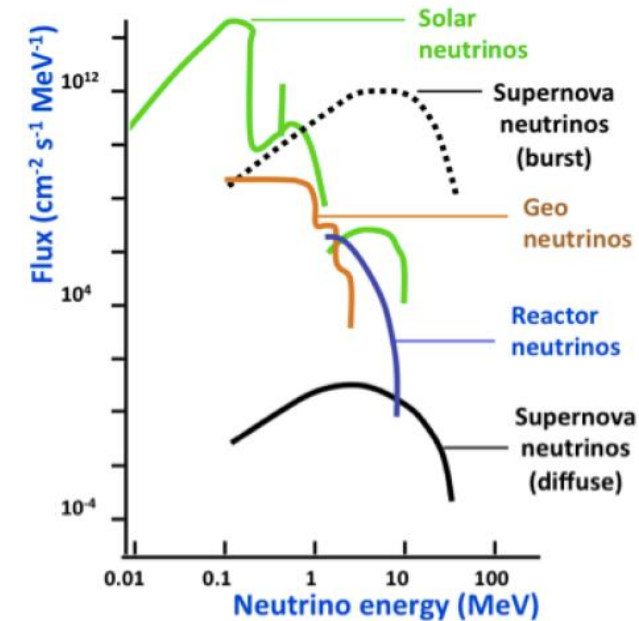
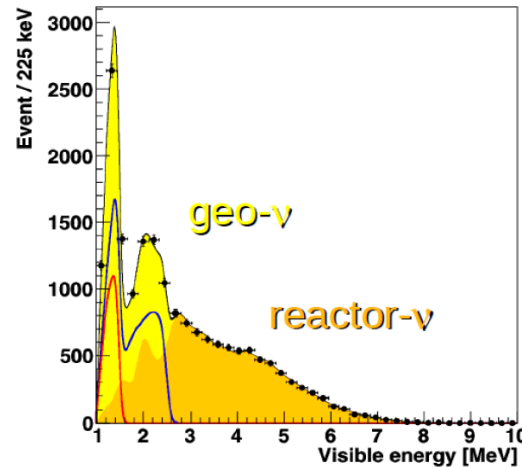
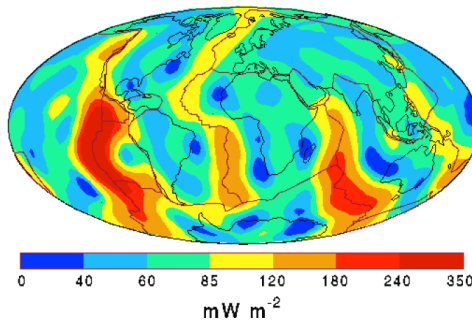


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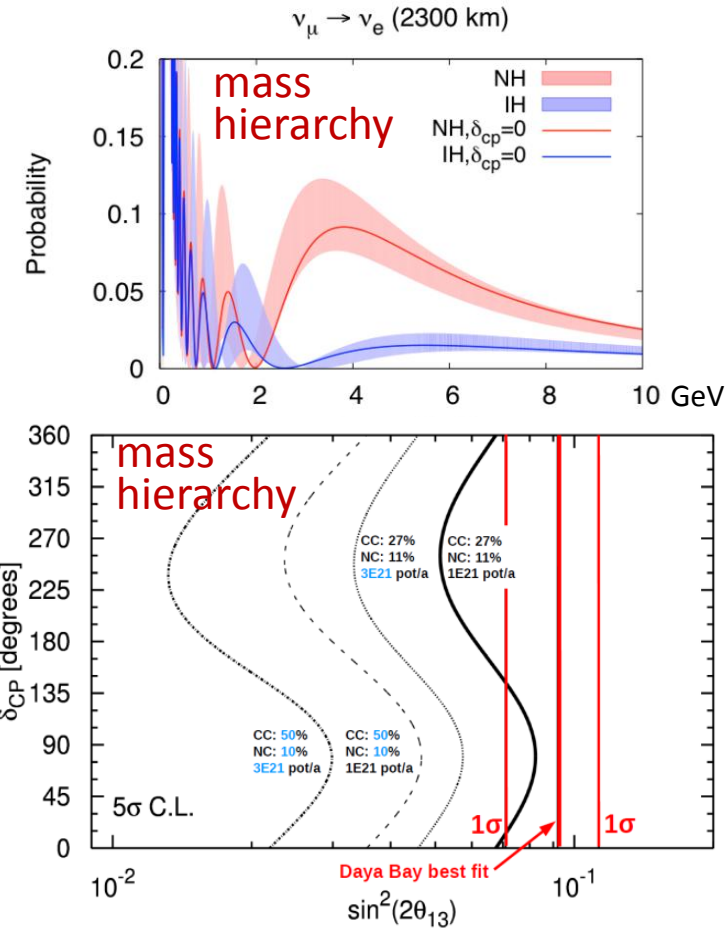
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- **Proton decay:** High detection efficiency ( $\approx 68\%$ ) for  $p \rightarrow K^+ \bar{\nu}$  decay channel  $\rightarrow \tau_{p,\text{partial}} > 4 \cdot 10^{34}$  years (90% C.L.) for 10 years no events observed





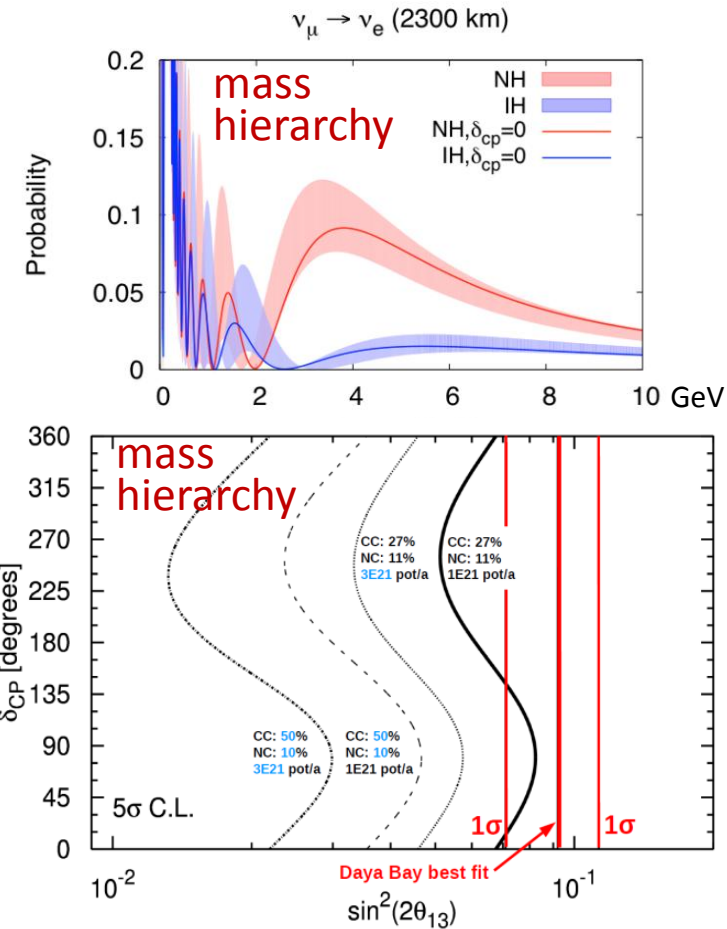
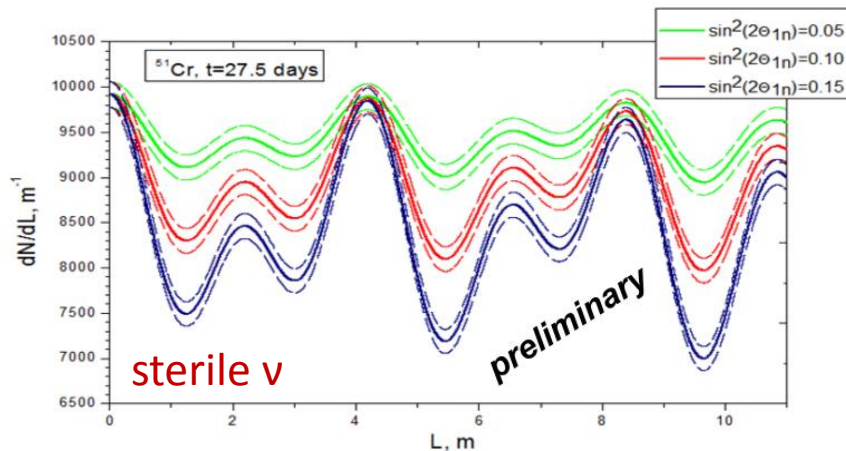
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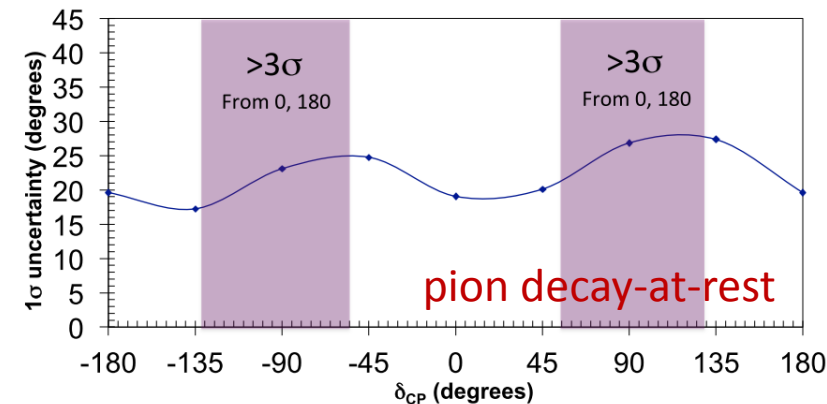
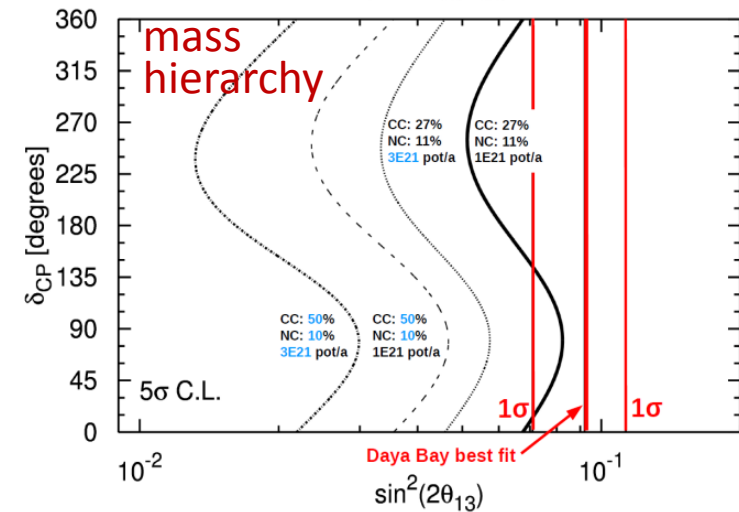
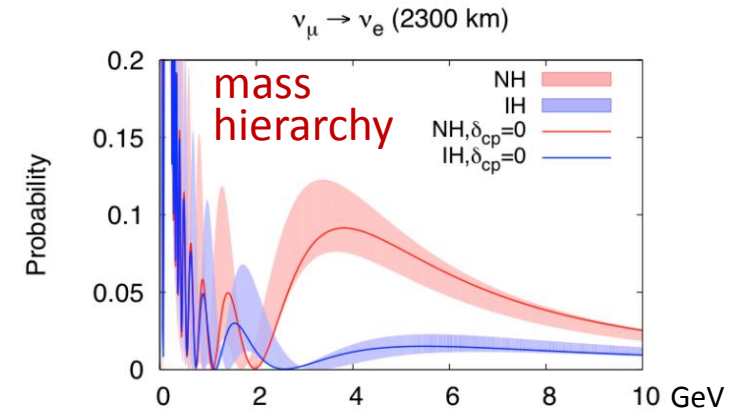
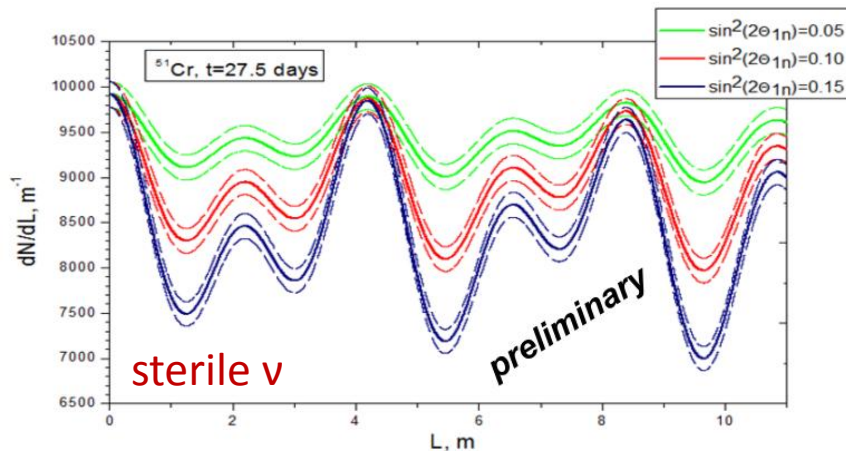
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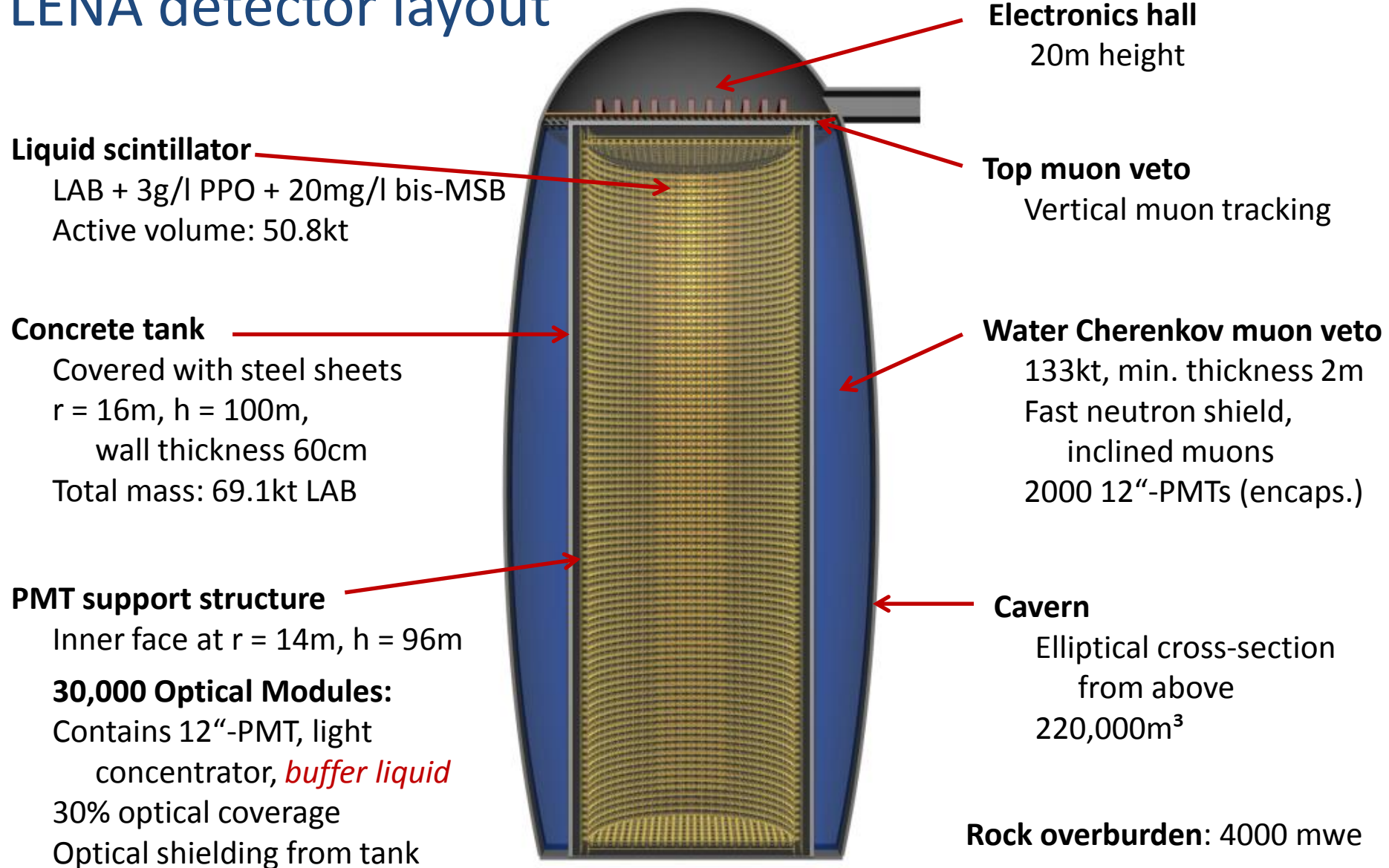


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 $\delta_{CP}$ : 10 years  $\rightarrow$  **42% coverage with  $> 3\sigma$**
- **Reactor antineutrinos** (Fréjus site):  
 $\Delta m_{12}^2 \approx 1\%$ ,  $\theta_{12} \approx 10\%$



# LENA detector layout

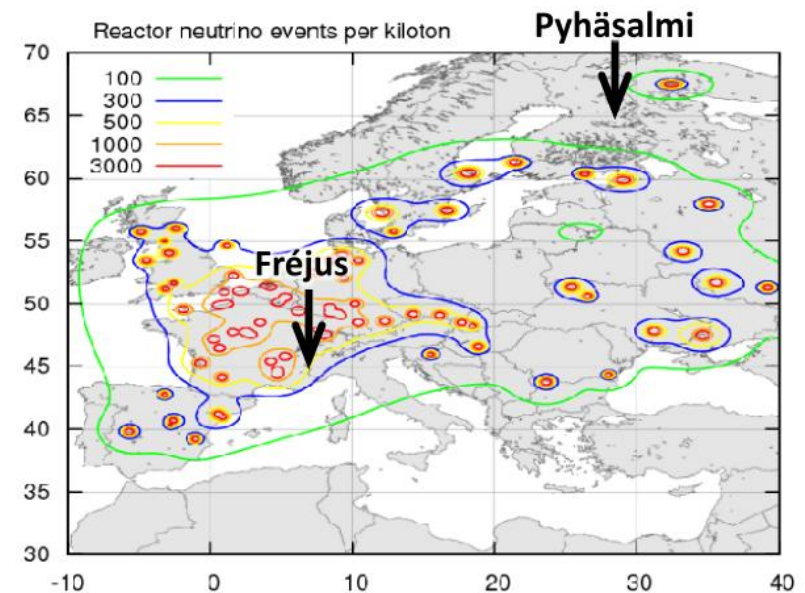
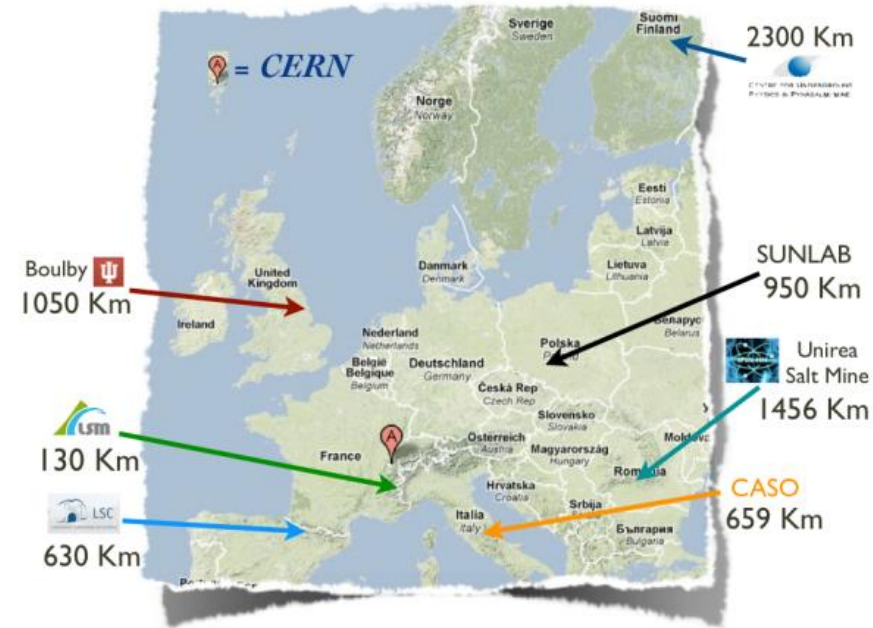


Detector lifetime foreseen: > 30 years



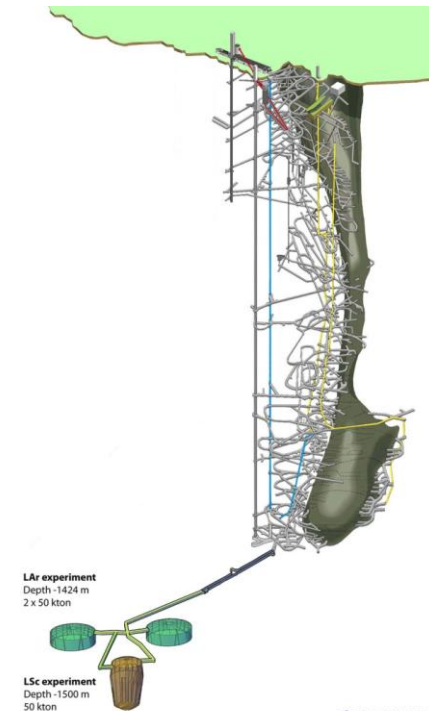
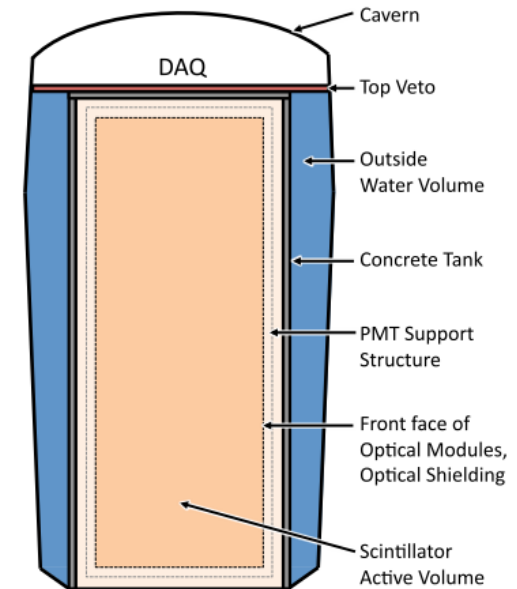
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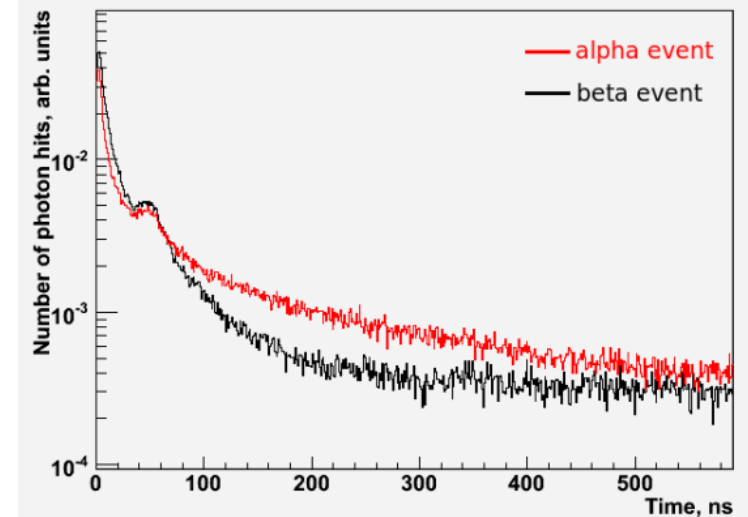
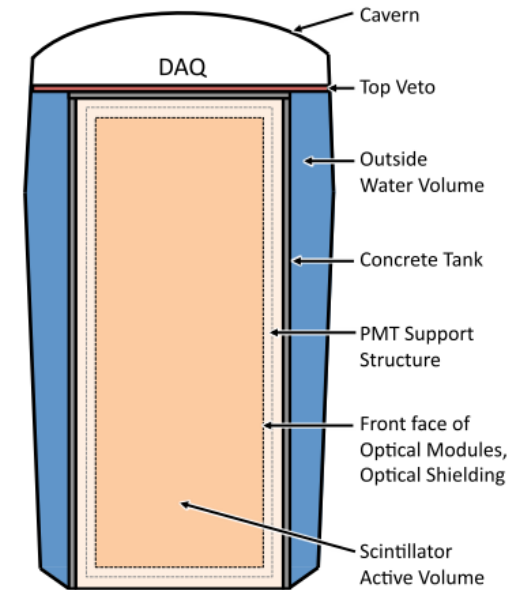
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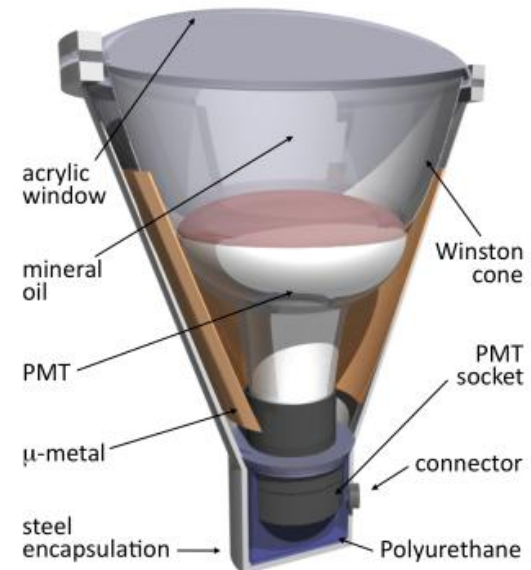
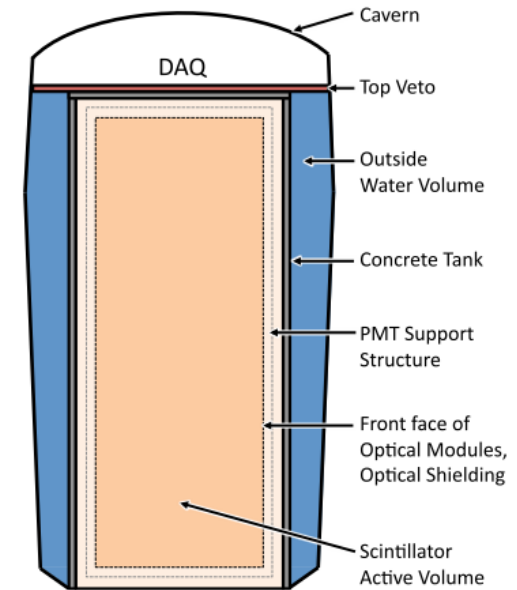
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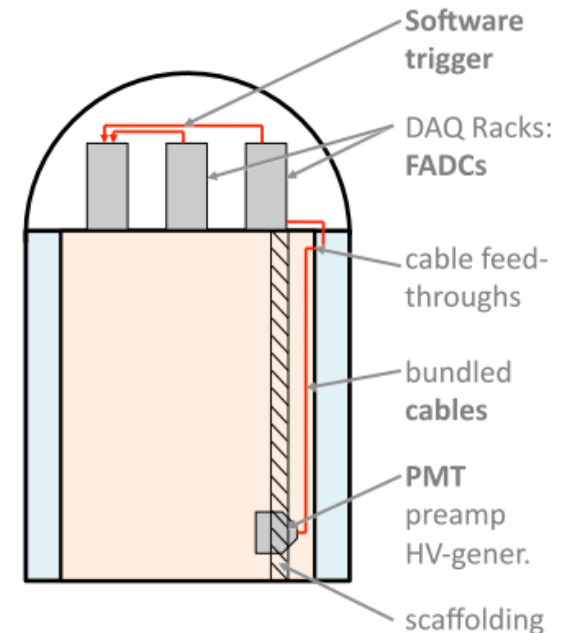
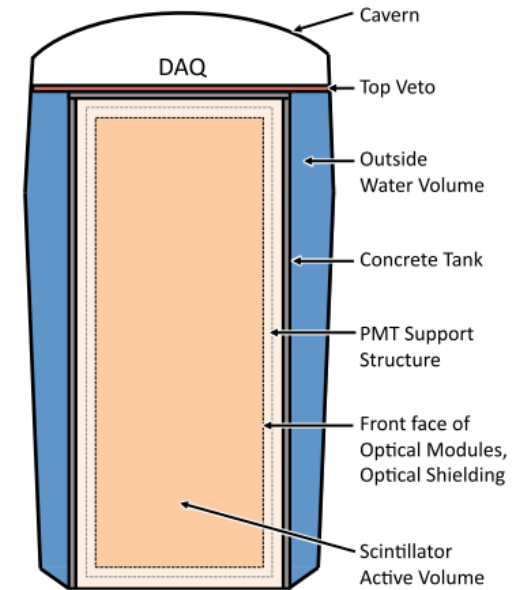


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- **Electronics:** Pulse shape, event rates, number of channels, cabling, sensor arrays, cost
- **Operation:** Calibration, convection, cooling, N<sub>2</sub>-buffering, **maintenance**

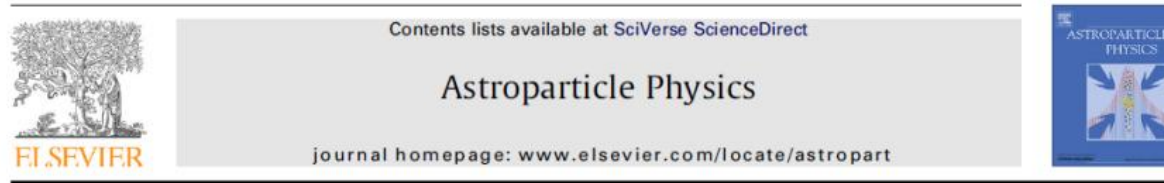
Most issues solved, necessary R&D under way

**No showstoppers**



# LENA White Paper published recently

Astroparticle Physics 35 (2012) 685–732



Review

## The next-generation liquid-scintillator neutrino observatory LENA

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- More information can be found in the LENA White Paper
- Watch out, already some changes: e.g. physical goals (mass hierarchy, pion decay-at-rest), concrete tank, buffer within optical module, simulations of pressure encapsulation

→ Recent talks

e.g. [Neutrino12, Lothar Oberauer, "Future liquid scintillator detectors"](#)





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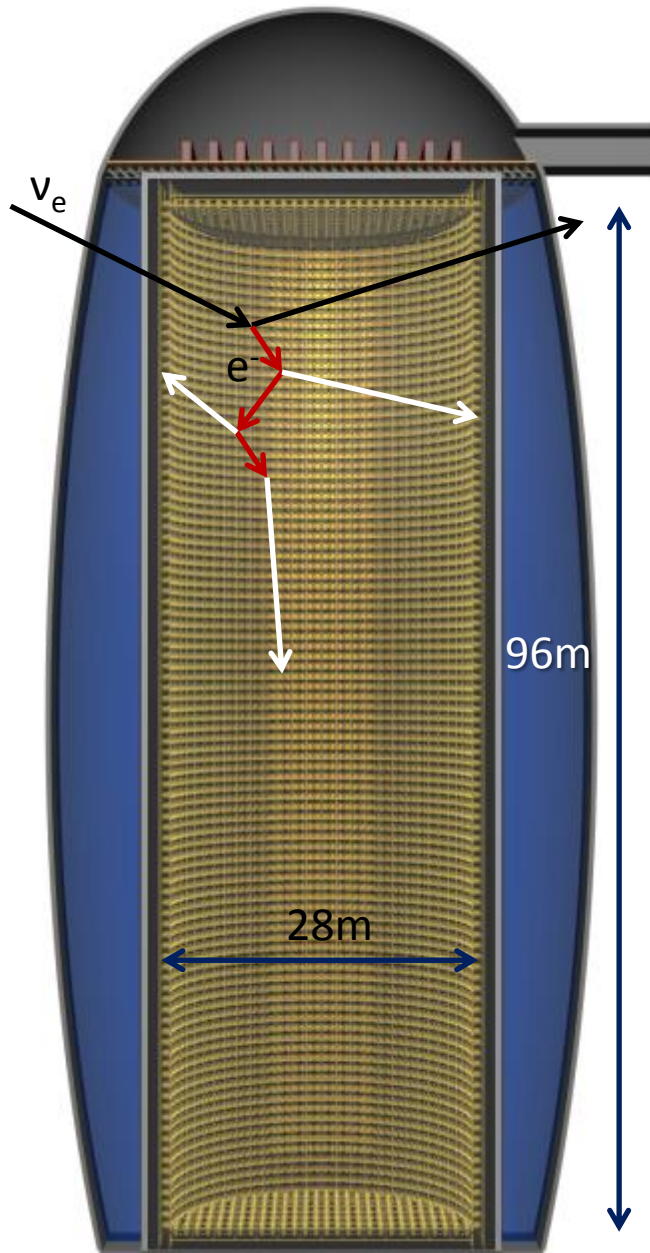


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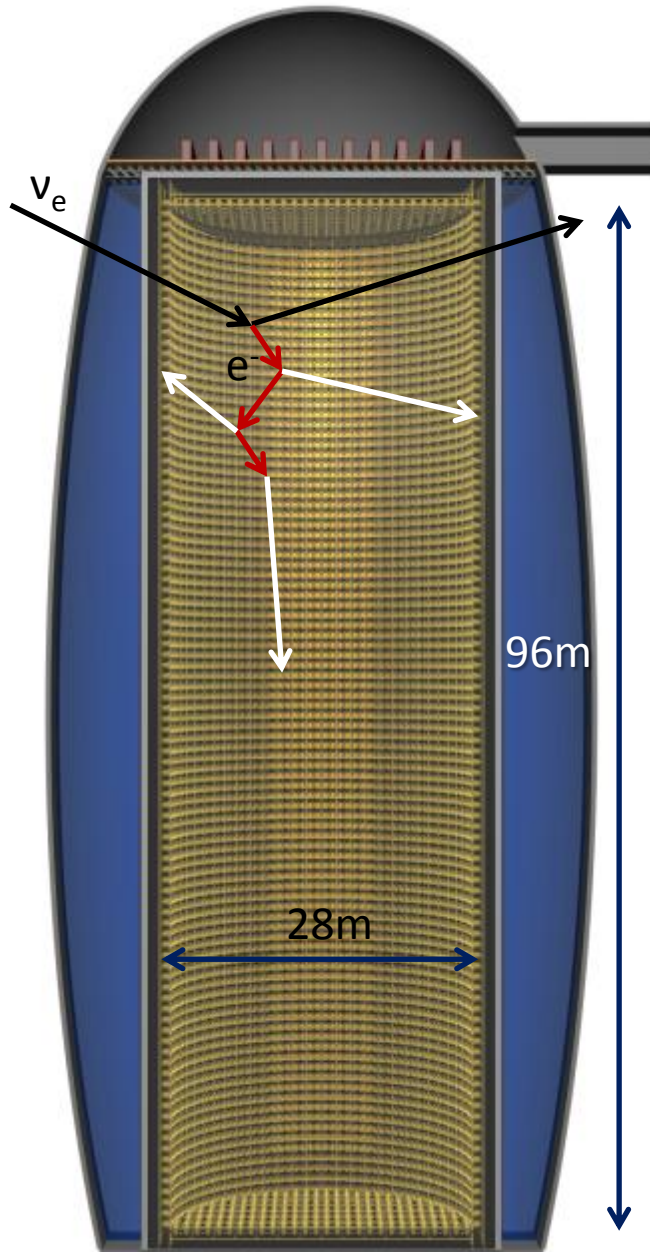
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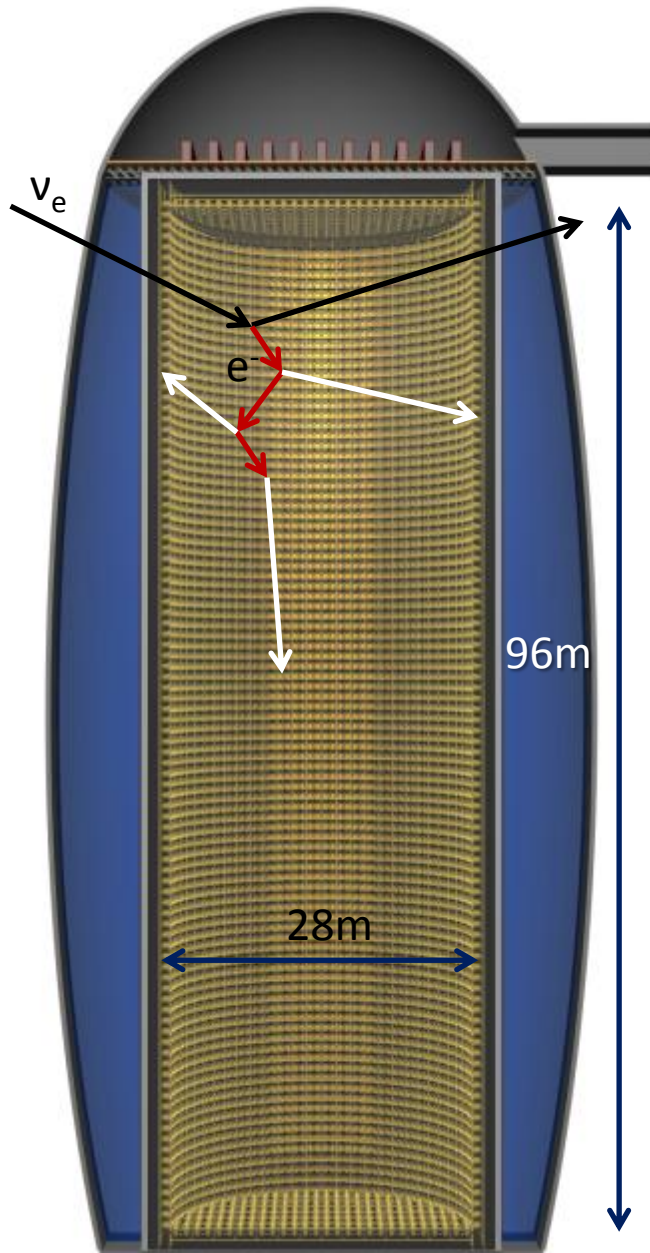
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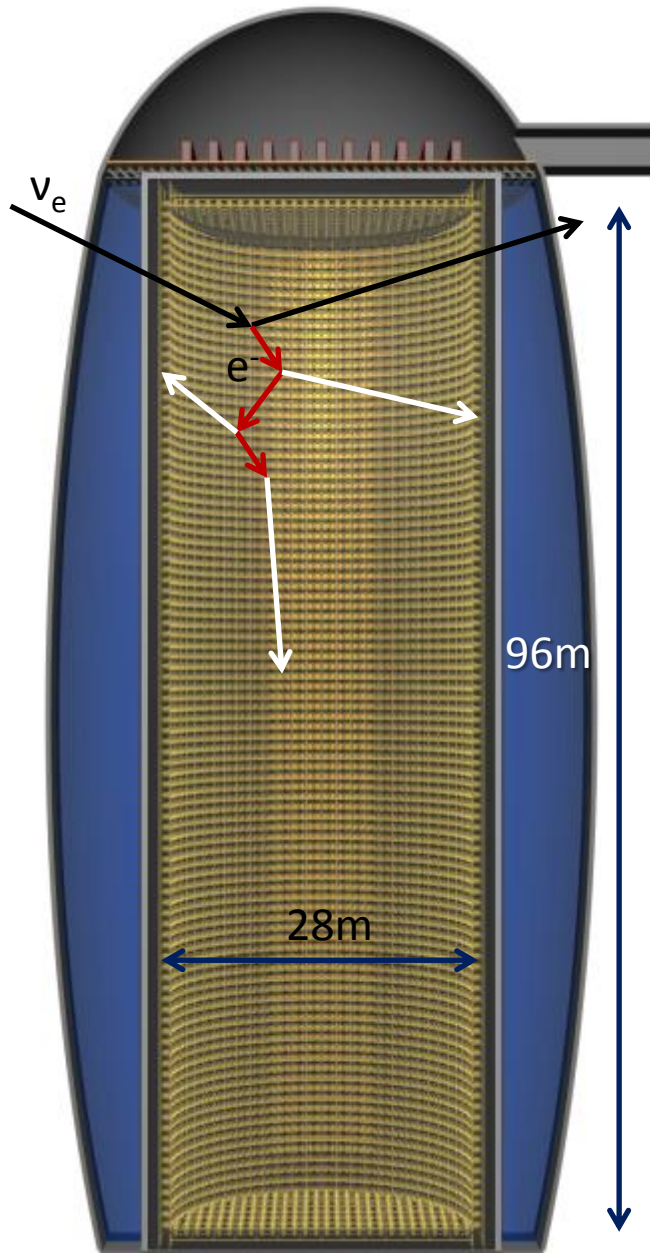
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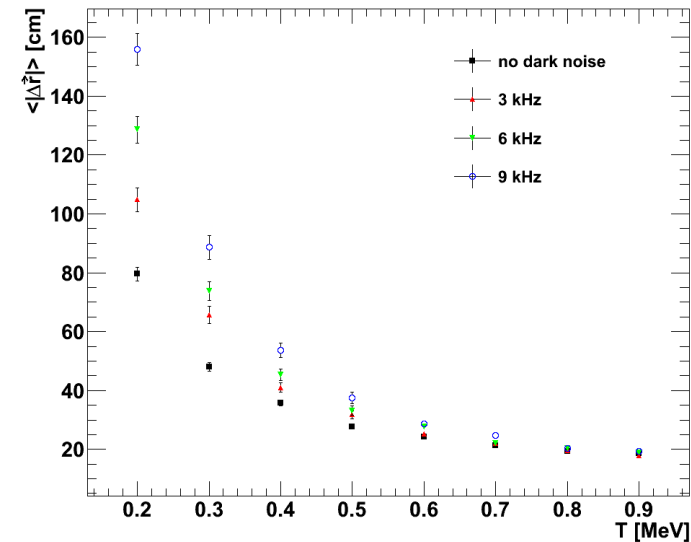
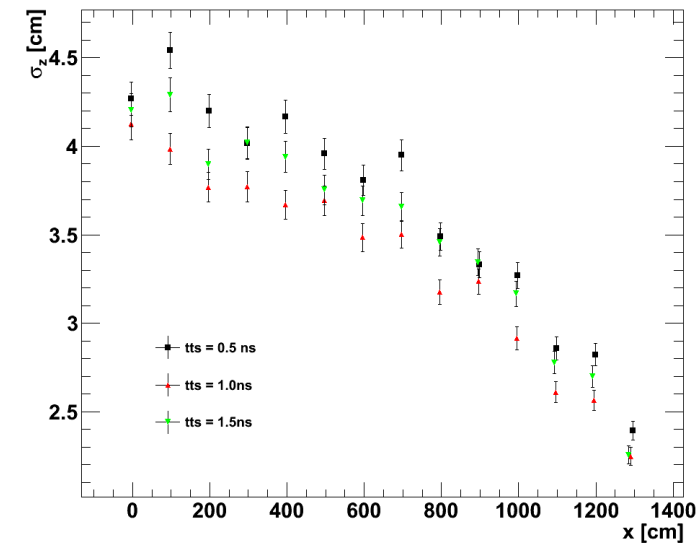
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- MC studies in progress, first results:
  - Position and energy resolution ([Dominikus Hellgartner](#))
    - Timing uncertainty:
      - First simulations, still fighting some problems with small timing uncertainties
      - First impression: no big influence
    - Dark Noise:
      - No big influence for energies around 1MeV or bigger
      - For 200keV position + energy resolution  $\approx 30\%$  worse
  - $\alpha/\beta$ -discrimination ([Randolph Möllenberg](#))
    - Dark Noise:
      - Strong influence on efficiency
    - Late Pulses + Fast Afterpulses
      - Negligible effect
    - Winston Cones (50° opening angle)
      - Improve separation by a factor of two



Property	Current limit
Timing uncertainty (single photoelectrons(spe), FWHM)	<3.0ns
Early pulses	<1%
Late pulses	<4%
Quantum efficiency @420nm	>21%
Optical coverage, using 1.75x light concentrators	30%
Dynamic range	spe→0.3pe/cm <sup>2</sup>
Gain (PMTs)	>3·10 <sup>6</sup>
Peak-to-valley ratio (spe)	>2
Dark count	< 15Hz/cm <sup>2</sup>
Slow afterpulses (0.2-200μs)	<5%
Fast afterpulses (0-200ns)	<5%
Pressure resistance	>13bar
<sup>238</sup> U content	< 3·10 <sup>-8</sup> g/g
<sup>232</sup> Th content	< 1·10 <sup>-8</sup> g/g
<sup>nat</sup> K content	< 2·10 <sup>-5</sup> g/g
Lifetime	>30y

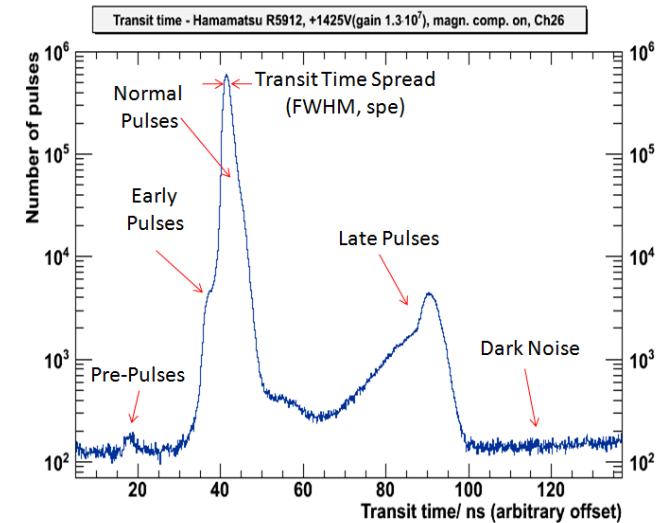
## First MC results:

possibly higher value allowed

probably needs to be increased

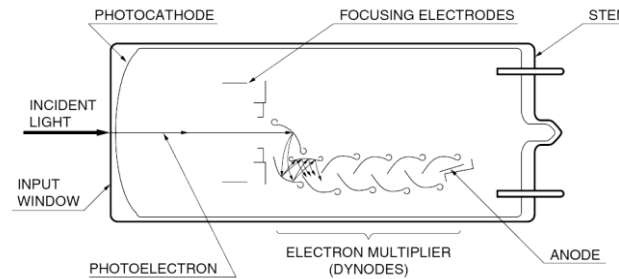
order of magnitude correct for big sensors; currently simulating with different trigger layout to establish value for SiPMs

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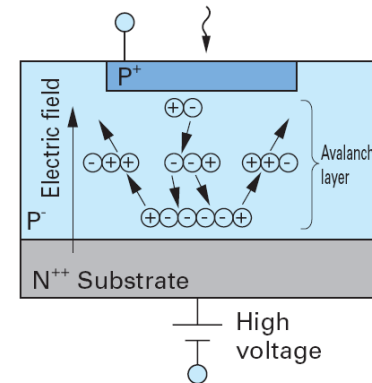
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- **Photomultipliers (PMTs)**
  - + Fulfill all requirements
  - Sensor of choice at the moment



## Which sensors could fulfill them?

- **Si-Photomultipliers (SiPMs):**
  - + Better energy resolution, time resolution, detection efficiency
  - Dark count possibly too high
  - Study in detail



- **Hybrid detectors / New sensors**
  - Crucial question: Available in high quantities in time for construction?
  - Possibly yes: QUASAR, X-HPD, HAPD, QUPID
  - Probably not: Abalone, LAPPD

## Which sensors could fulfill the requirements?

- **Favored sensor at the moment: PMTs**
  - New models are most promising:
    - **Hamamatsu R11780 (12")**
      - good transit time spread, by now high quantum efficiency, still high afterpulsing(?), high pressure tolerance; 100 prototypes built so far
    - **Electron Tubes Enterprises D784 (11")**
      - designed from scratch for good performance + high pressure tolerance, so far only dummies for pressure tests
  - Existing models:
    - Hamamatsu R6594 (5"), R5912 (8"), R7081 (10"), R7250 (20")
    - Electron Tubes Enterprises 9823 (5"), 9354 (8")
  - Current design: Use either 11"/12"-PMTs (40k/31k PMTs in ID) or 8" PMTs (68k PMTs in ID)
    - 11-12" should be at cost optimum, 8" proven technology
- Need to find out missing characteristics for all candidate sensor types + measure properties of candidate PMT series to select optimum sensor

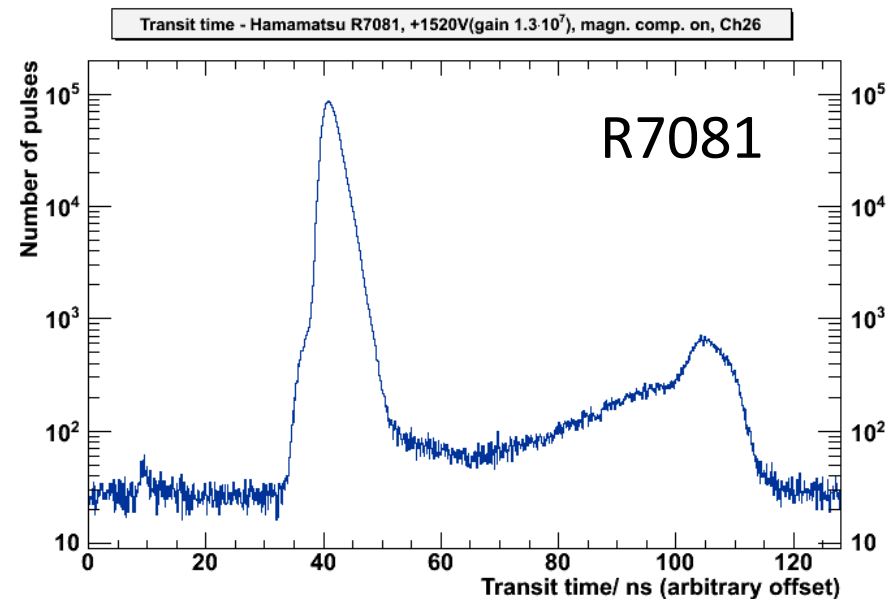
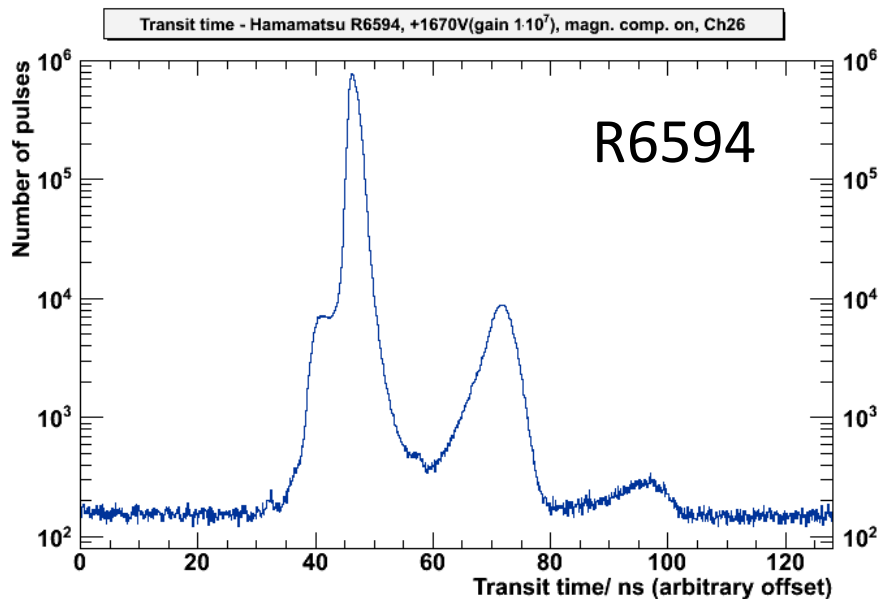


D784

## How can we determine the missing properties?

### Measurements at the Borexino PMT testing facility (INFN LNGS, Italy)

- Light source: 30ps diode laser (410nm), diffusor mounted at ceiling
- Magnetic field compensation
- Measure up to 64 PMTs simultaneously with NIM electronics
- Transit time distribution, afterpulse time distribution, charge distribution, dark count
- Measured until now 1 sample each of:
  - Hamamatsu: R6091(3"), R6594(5"), R5912(8") and R7081(10")
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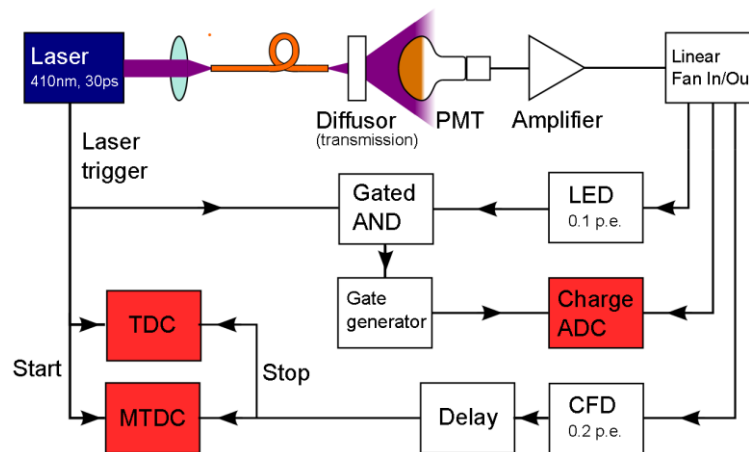




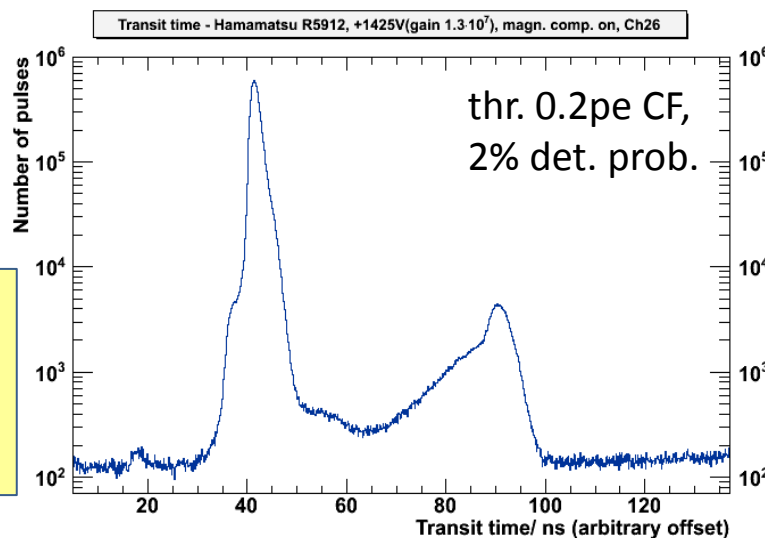
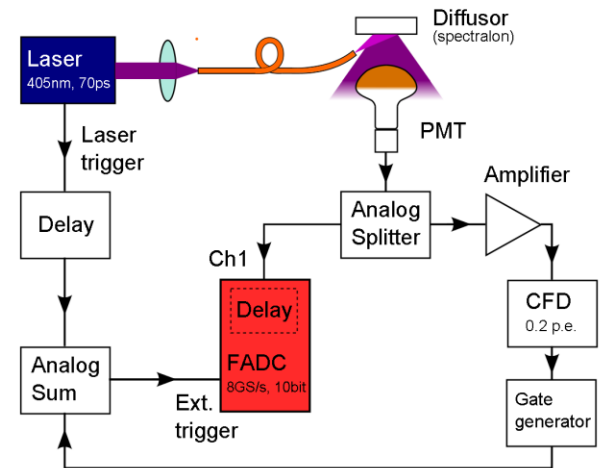
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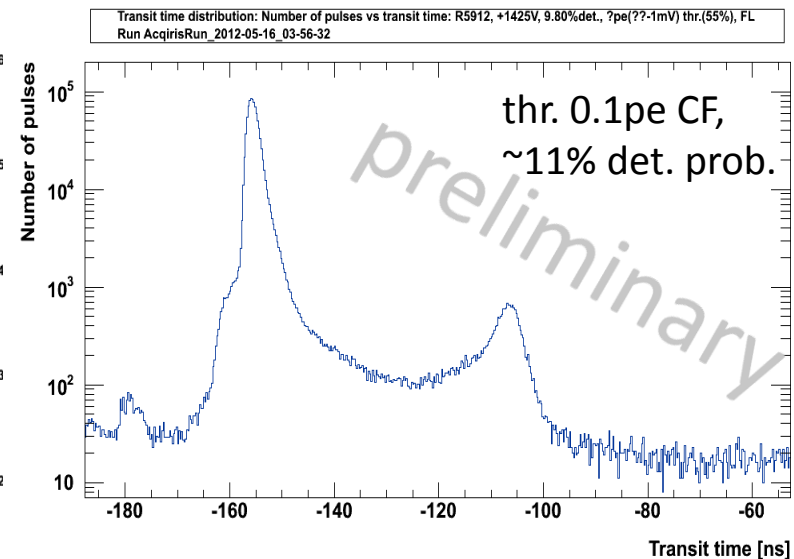
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### Setup PMT measurements at MPI Physik



Comparison  
with same PMT:  
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R5912, +1425V

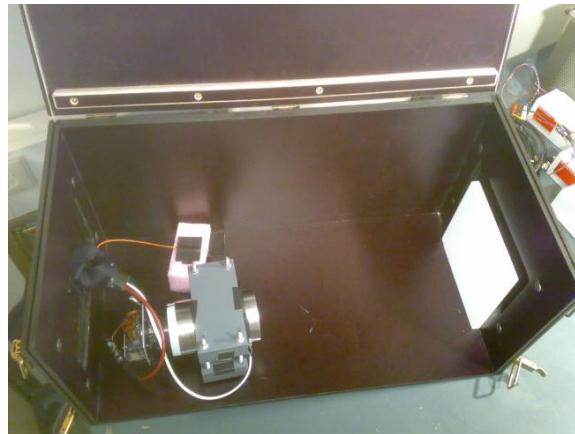
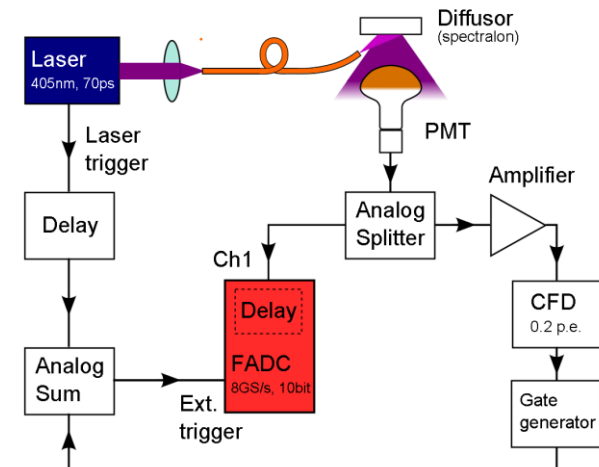


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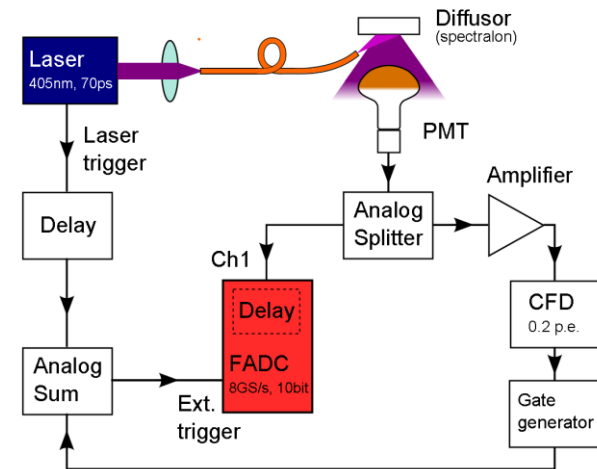


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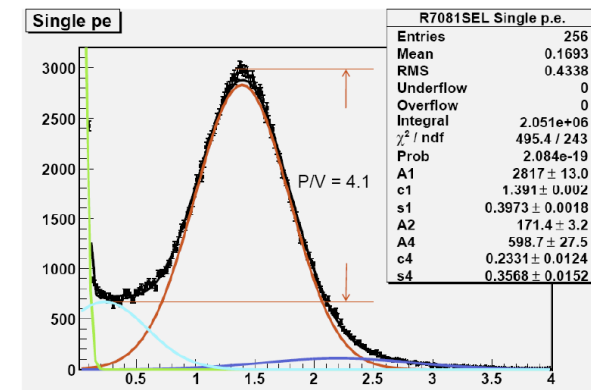
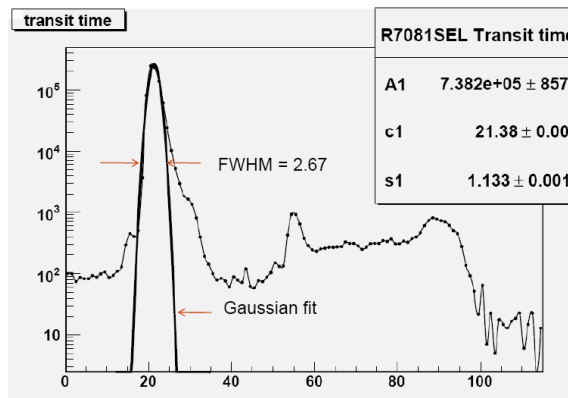
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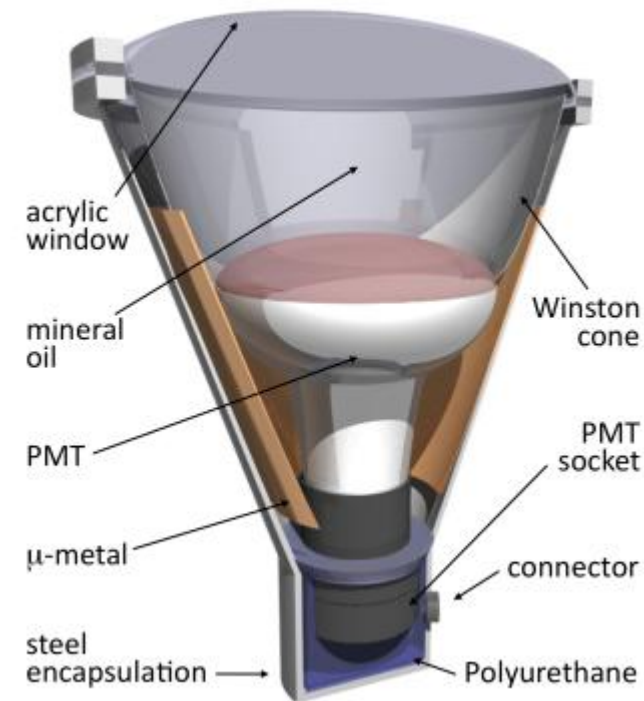
- measurements done by Paolo Lombardi at INFN Milano of 5-10" Hamamatsu super-bialkali PMTs (same series as tested at LNGS)



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→ What components do we need for optimum performance?

- PMT
- Increase active area + limit field of view
  - Light concentrator ([Winston Cone](#))
- Shield PMT from earth magnetic field
  - [mu metal](#)
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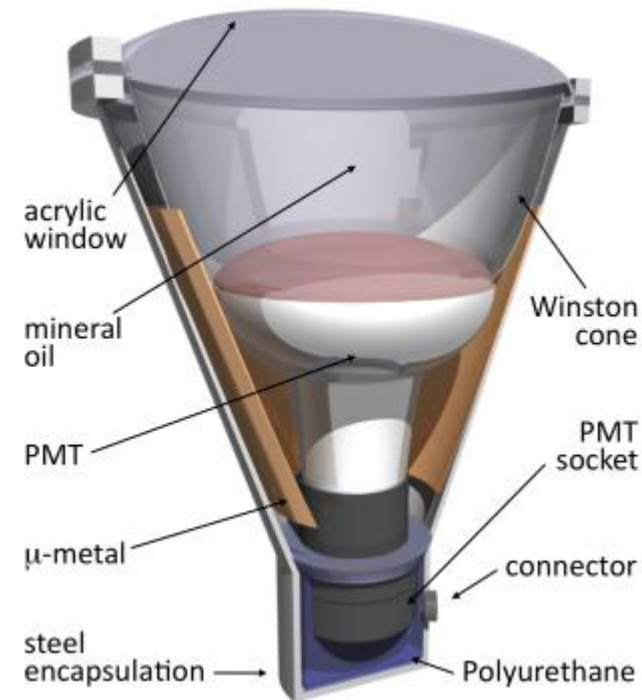




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- Need to shield scintillator from radioactive contamination contained in the PMT's glass → layer of inactive buffer liquid between scintillator and PMTs
  - [New design](#): include [buffer liquid](#) into pressure encapsulation
    - Bigger active volume!



OPTICAL MODULE

## PMT optical module: Status of development

- PMT

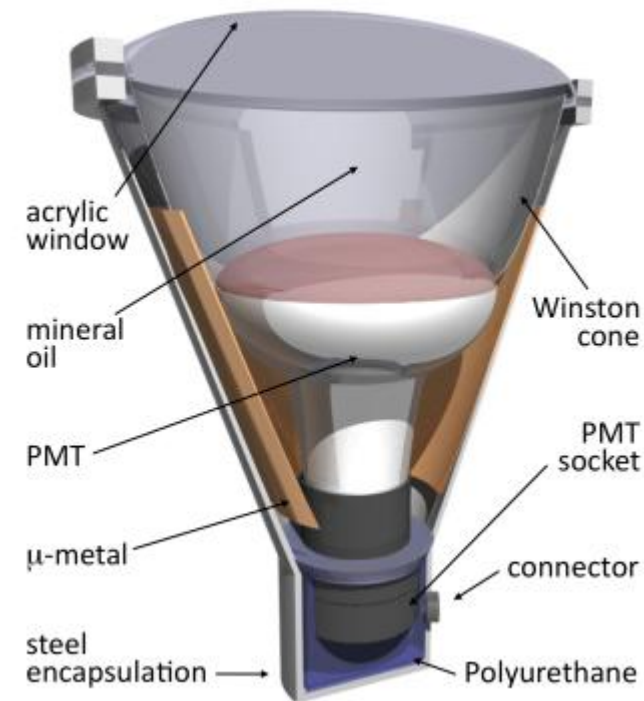
- Determine requirements → in progress
- Measure properties → in progress
- Selection of best series → to do
- Modifications? → to do

- Pressure encapsulation

- Design (include design of OM) → in progress
- Simulations → in progress
  - Build prototype → to do
    - Test: pressure tank, radiopurity, long term → to do

- Light concentrator

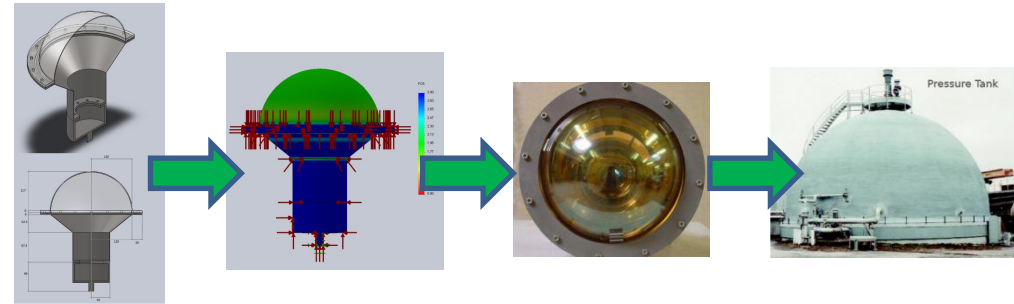
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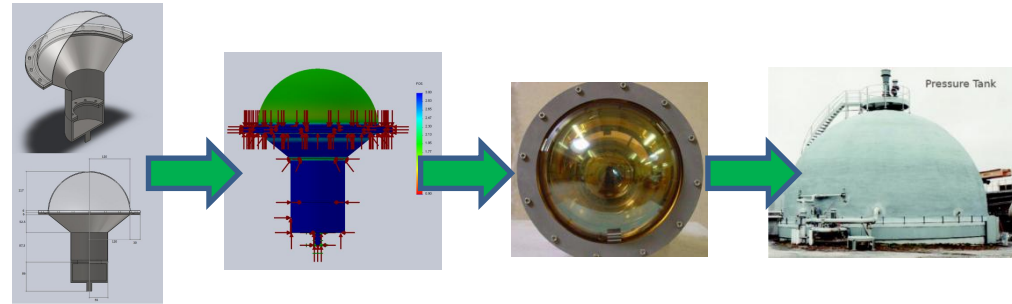
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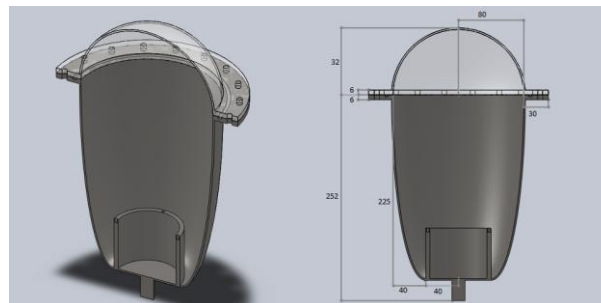
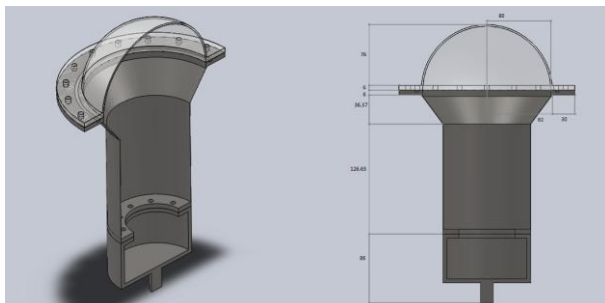
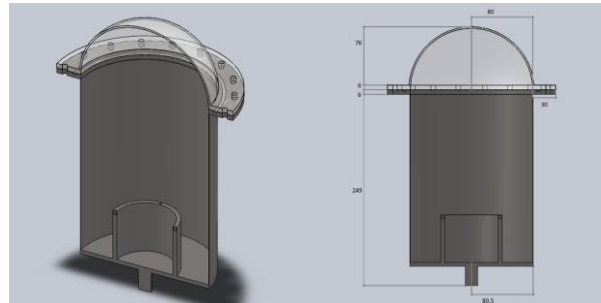
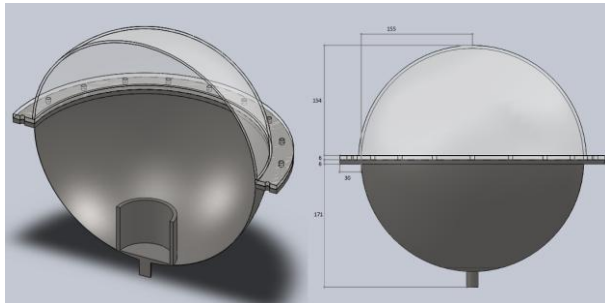
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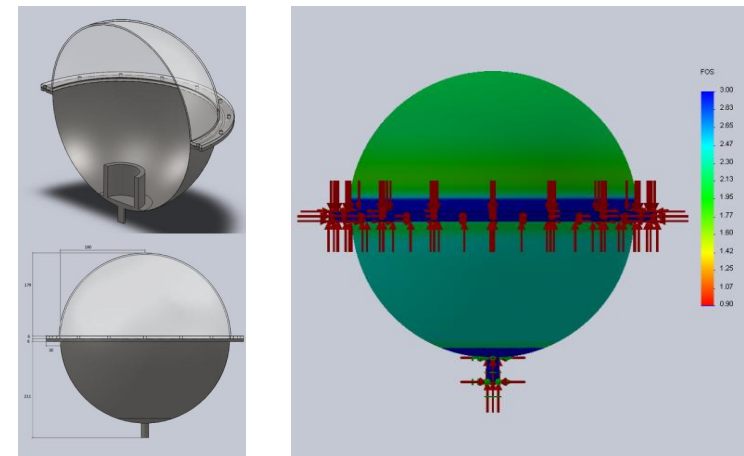
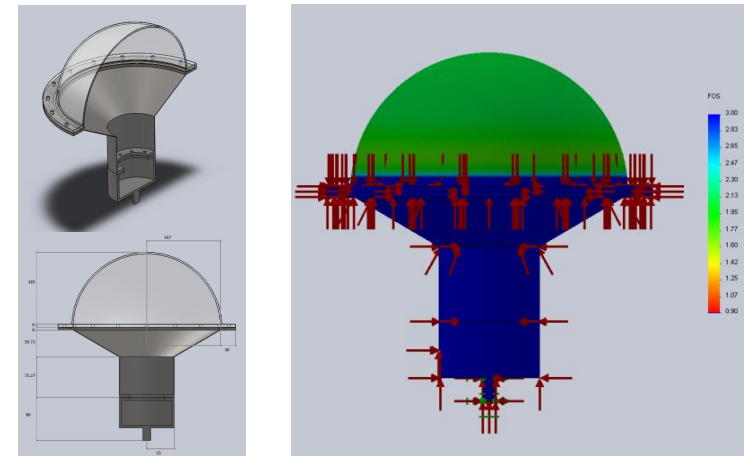
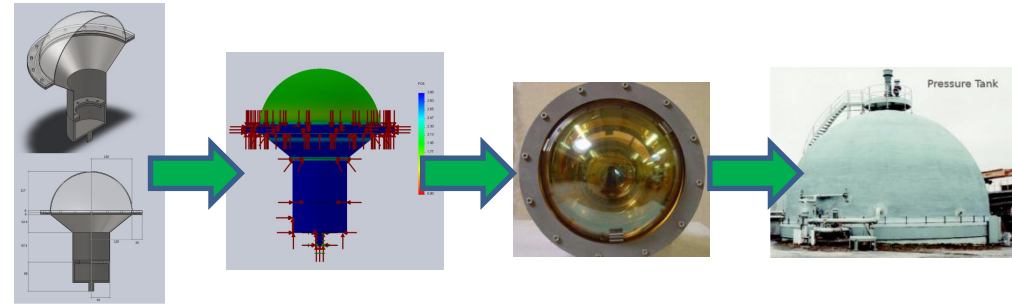
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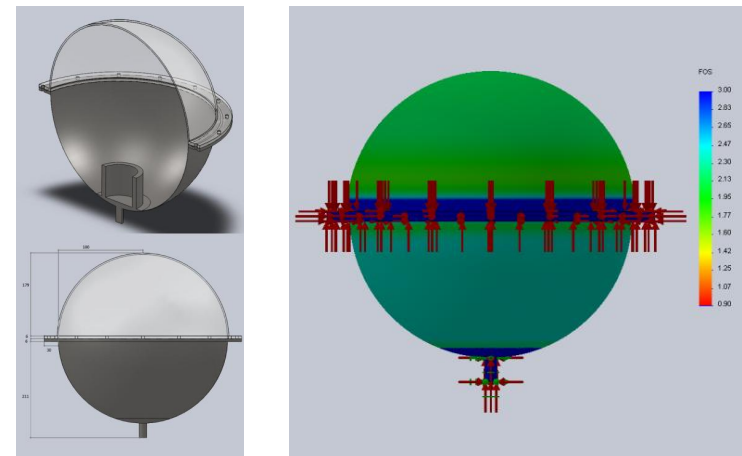
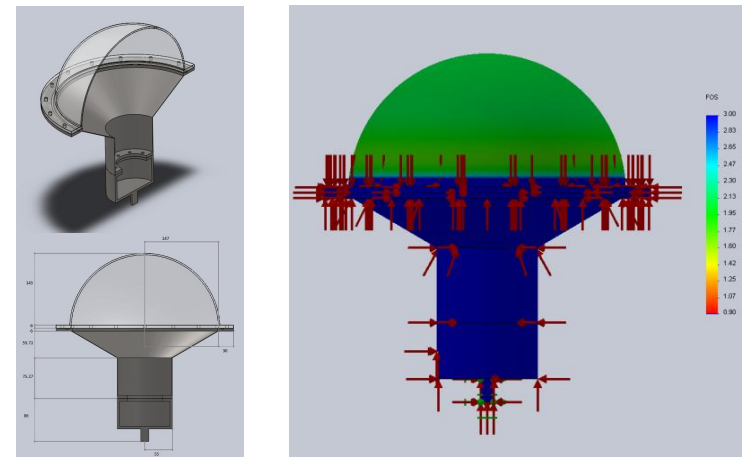
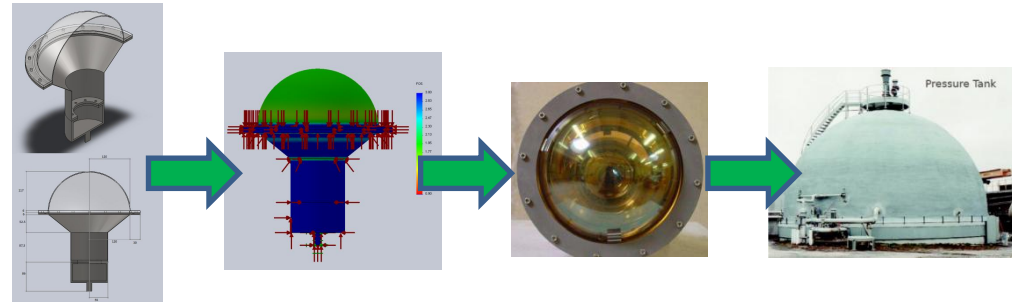
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- Simulations so far were still for the old optical module without the buffer liquid → have to adapt design
- Currently cross-checking results + dependence on simulation parameters and improving simulations
  - Switching from volume meshing to shell-meshing; are considering migrating from SolidWorks to ANSYS





# Conclusions

## LENA

... is a future 50kt liquid scintillator detector, which could provide valuable insights on neutrino properties, measure various neutrinos sources with unprecedented accuracy and set more stringent upper limits on proton decay

### Detector layout in short:

Active mass 50kt, concrete tank, 32,000 12" -PMTs, buffer inside optical module  
Background → 133kt water cherenkov muon veto + top muon veto, 4000mwe rock overburden, favored site at the moment Pyhäsalmi, Finland

### Physics highlights:

Galactic supernova neutrinos + diffuse supernova neutrino background, geoneutrinos

Proton decay via  $K^+ \bar{\nu}$ : 10 years background-free → lifetime  $> 4 \cdot 10^{34}$  years (90% C.L.)

Mass hierarchy:  $10^{21}$  POT →  $> 5\sigma$  significance

Sterile neutrinos:  $^{51}\text{Cr}$  5MCi 550days →  $\sin^2(2\theta_{14}) < 2.2 \cdot 10^{-3}$  with 90% C.L.

$\delta_{\text{CP}}$ : via 10 years pion decay-at-rest → 42% coverage with  $> 3\sigma$

Foreseen start of data taking in 2022



# Conclusions

## Photosensors

- Physics goals of LENA set demanding requirements for photosensors
- Started to quantify limits with Geant4 Monte Carlo simulations
- Measured properties for 5-10" PMT series at LNGS + Milano
- Constructing photosensor test facility in Munich to measure missing sensor properties, first test measurements in good agreement
- So far PMTs favoured option:
  - Current standard option: Hamamatsu R11780 (12")
  - Some other promising alternative sensors have to be tested
- Designed an optical module for PMTs consisting of light concentrator, buffer liquid, mu metal, voltage divider, pressure encapsulation
- Have completed first designs + FEA simulations of pressure encapsulations → optimize designs, cross-check simulation results
- First prototype of complete optical module in  $\approx 1$  year

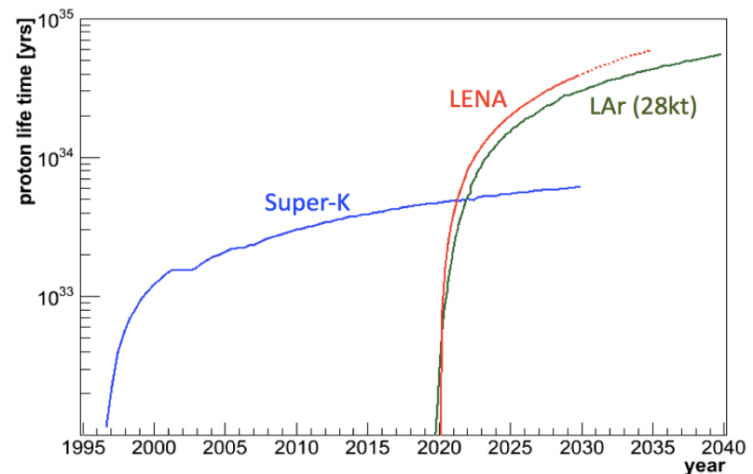
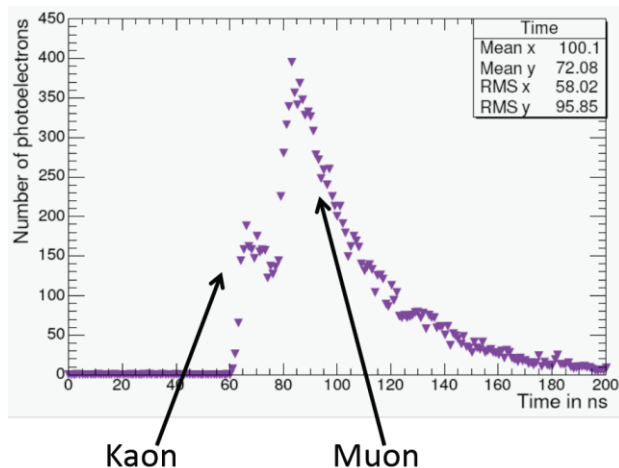




Backup slides

$$p \rightarrow K^+ \bar{\nu}$$

- LHC won't exclude complete parameter space for SUSY SM extensions
- $K^+$  decay channel is favored due to R parity, which is part of all SUSY theories  $\rightarrow$  parameter space left to be excluded
- We plan to improve our background rejection capability (currently 0.6 events / 500 kt  $\cdot$  yrs) by including the tracking capability of LENA  $\rightarrow$  20 yrs bg-free measurement time  $\rightarrow$  exclude up to  $\approx 1 \cdot 10^{35}$  yrs  $\rightarrow$  covers greatest part of SUSY extensions
- Even without a viable theory, all channels must be examined - it could well be that all current theories are wrong. This channel combines quarks from first + second family  $\rightarrow$  particularly interesting
- LENA has the highest detection efficiency + mass of currently planned detectors for this channel
- Nevertheless: will look at potential of  $K^0$  channels in near future





# DSNB background studies

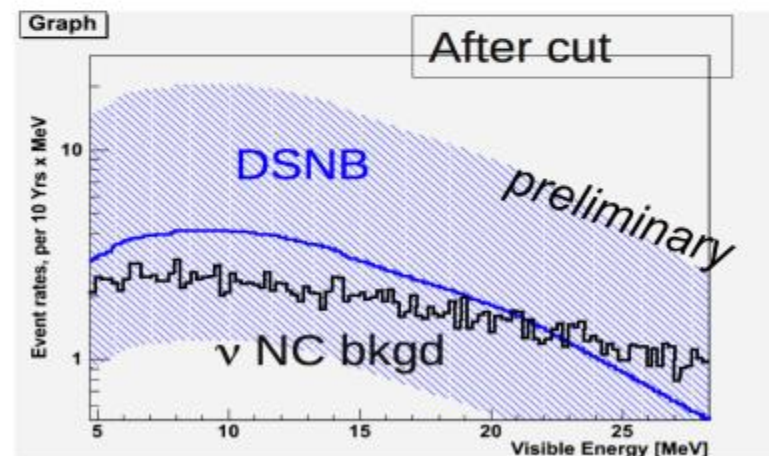
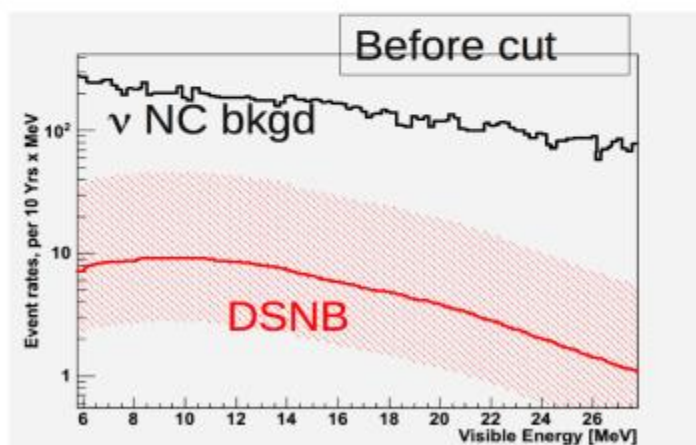
- Cosmogenic produced neutrons  
no problem if  $d > 4000$  mwe  
< 0.2 events / year
- Cosmogenic produced beta-neutron emitter (e.g.  $^9\text{Li}$ )  
no problem if  $d > 4000$  mwe  
< 0.1 events / year
- Atmospheric neutrino CC reaction  
 $10 < E / \text{MeV} < 30$
- **Atmospheric neutrino NC reaction** – neutron production  
data from KamLAND



*n-scattering TOF exp. at MLL  
(Garching)*

severe bg: reduction by pulse shape discrimination and/or statistical subtraction ?

**Laboratory experiments indicate that a strong bg-reduction can be achieved !**

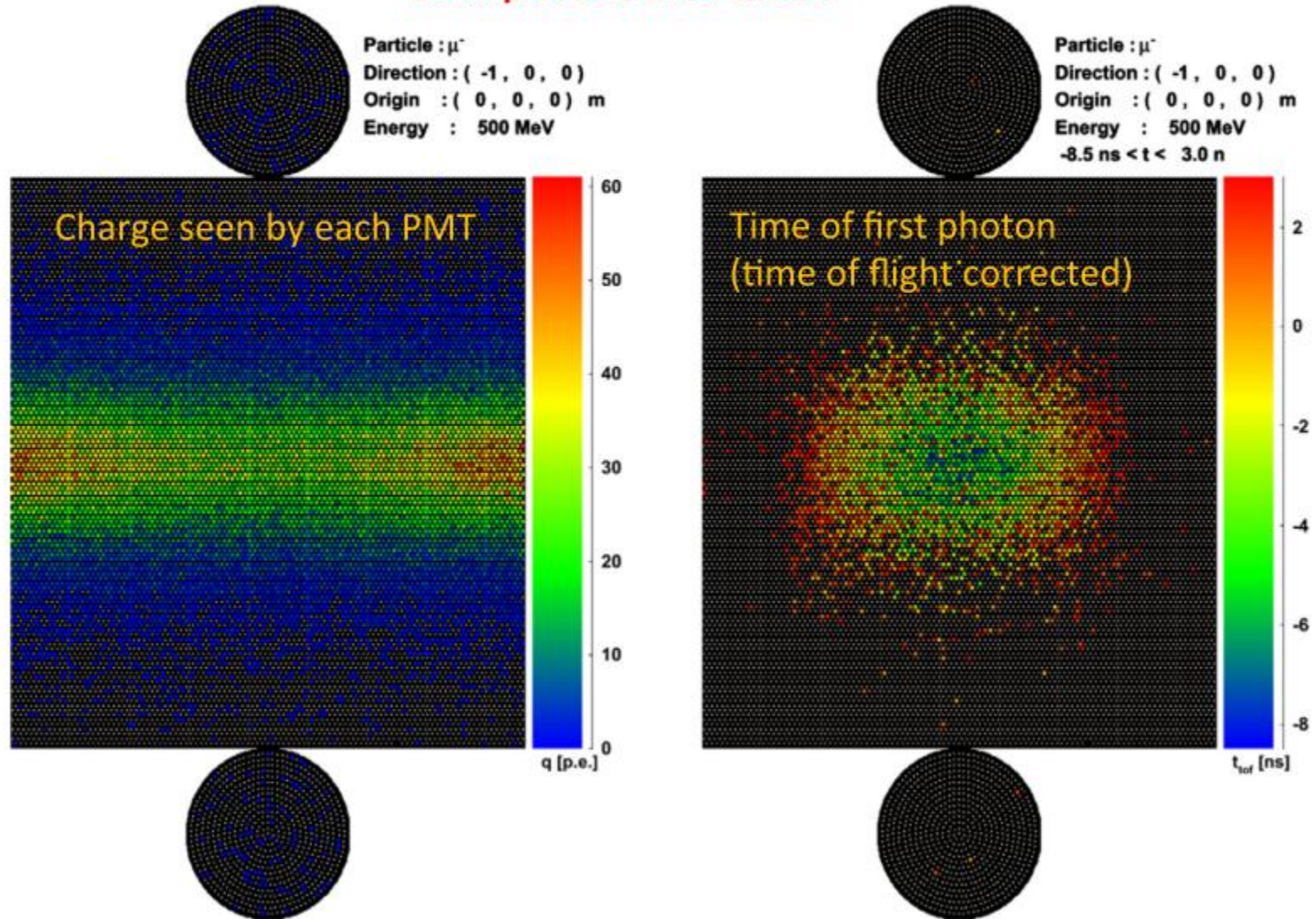


**Preliminary** results: Monte-Carlo simulation based on recent results of PSD parameter on LAB scintillators

# Tracking in the sub-GeV range

Use patterns of first photon arrival times + integrated charge per PMT

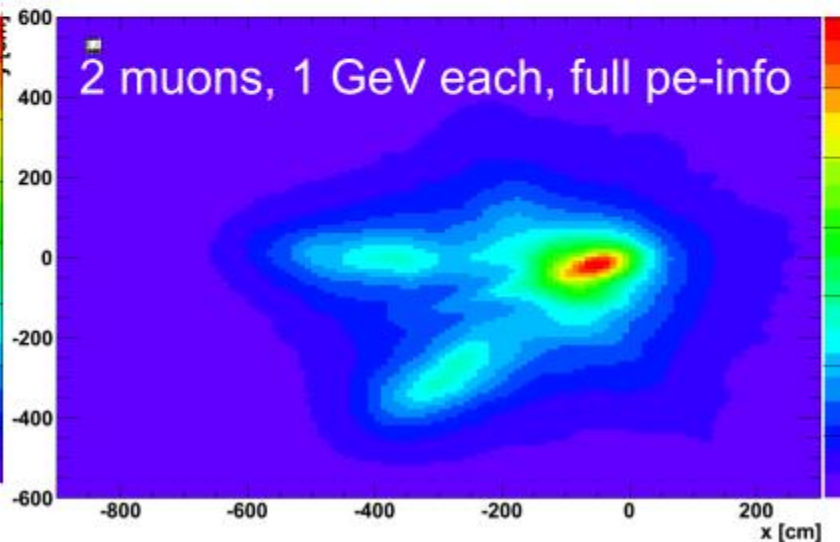
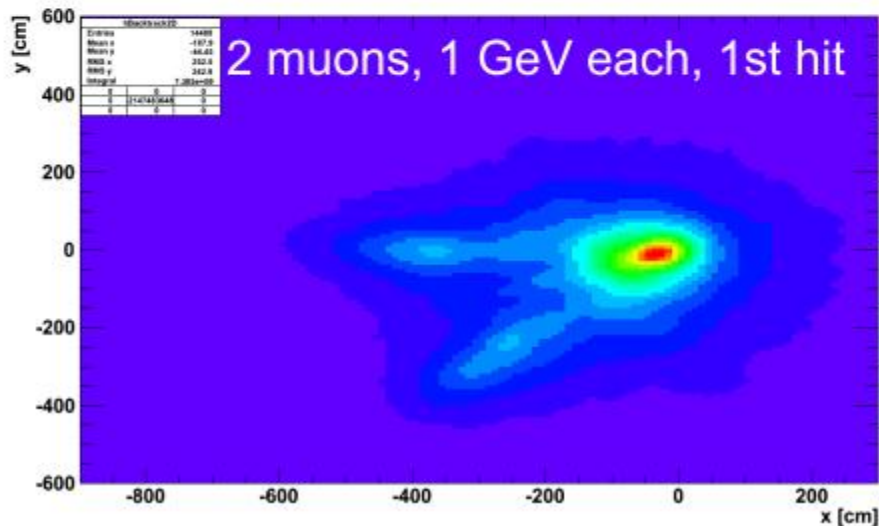
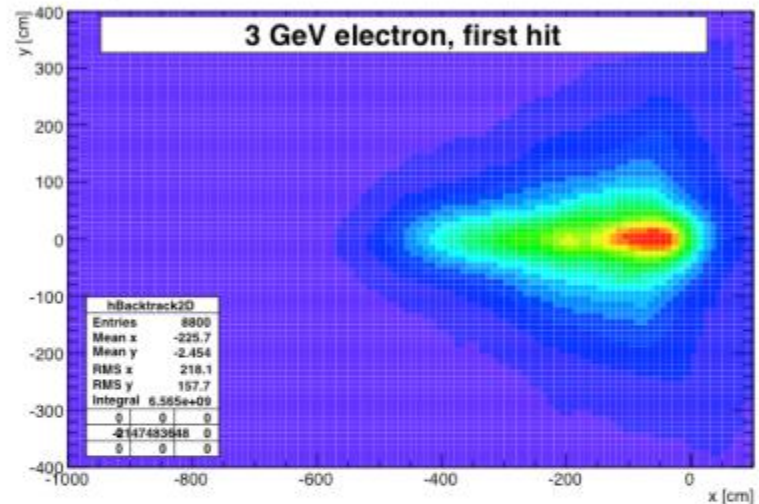
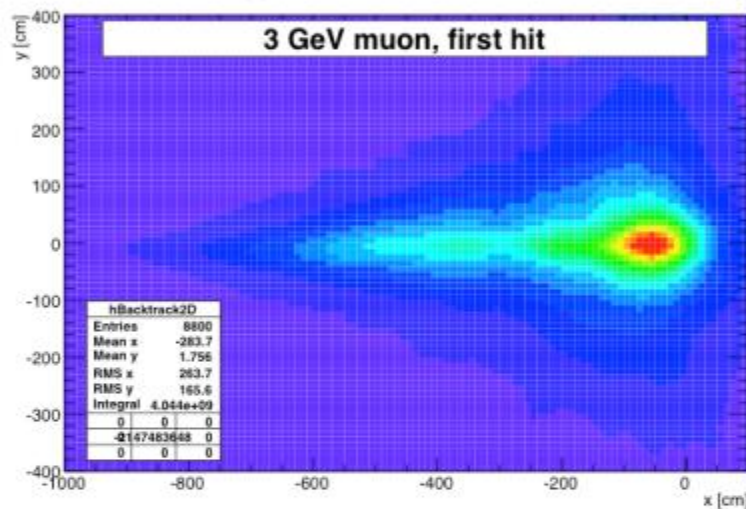
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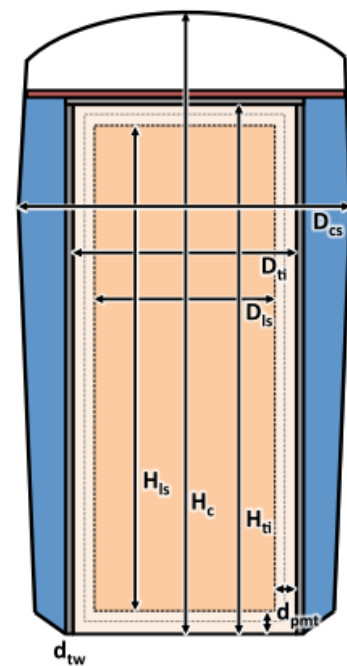
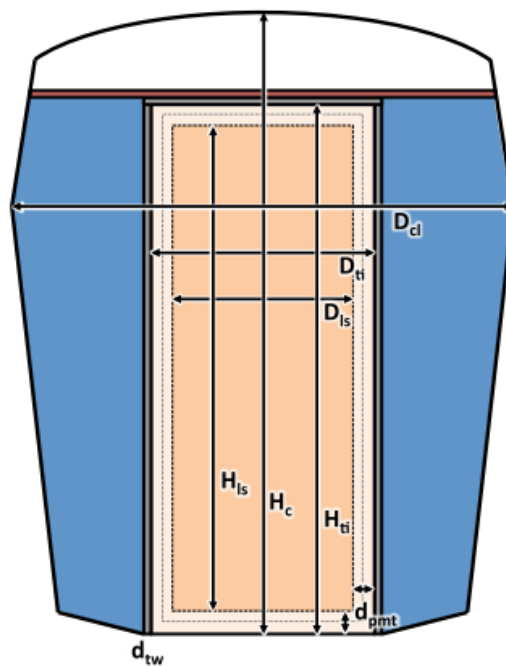
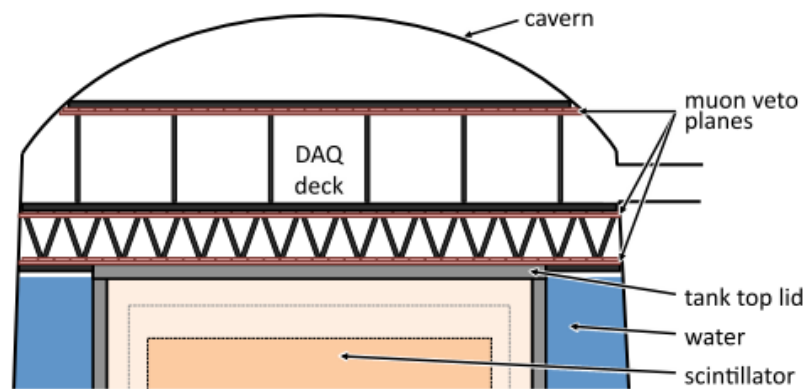
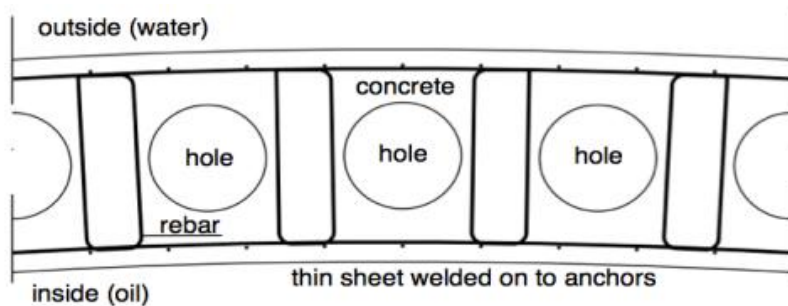
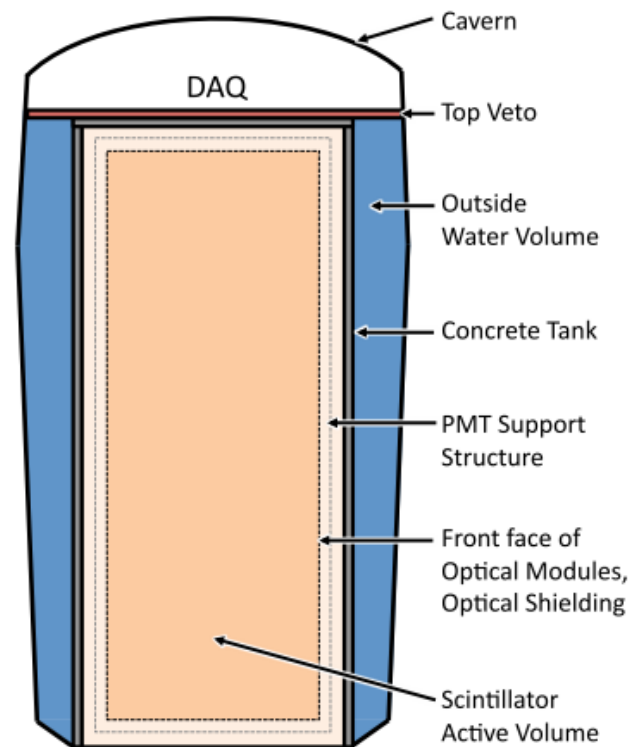


# Tracking in the 1-5 GeV range

Backtracking method: use individual pulse shapes from each PMT

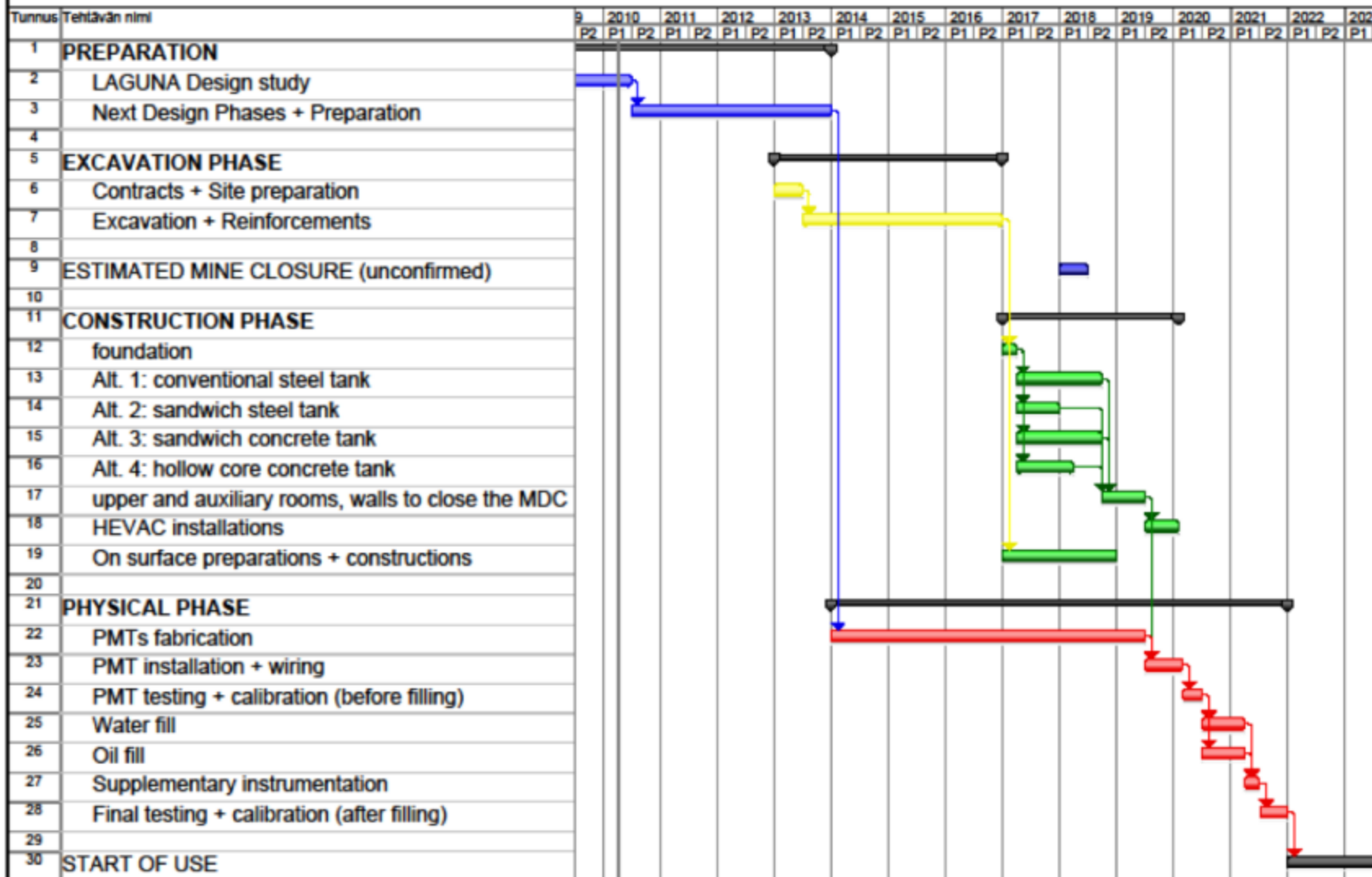






# LENA time schedule

ROCKPLAN



# Which sensors could fulfill the requirements?

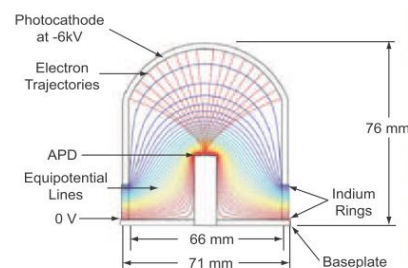
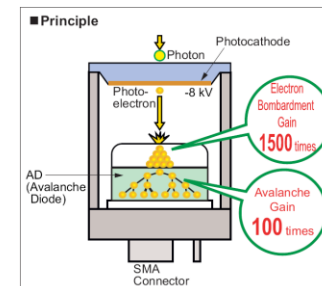
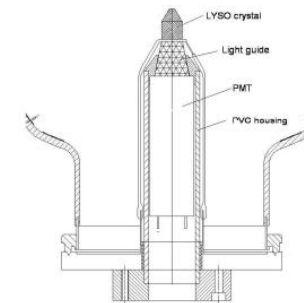
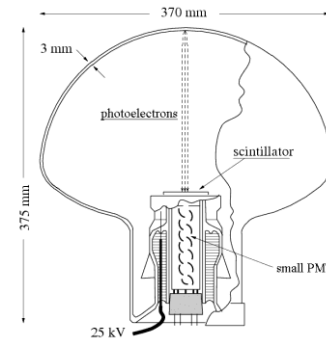
- Hybrid detectors

Crucial question:

Available in high quantities in time for construction?

Possibly yes:

- Layout: Photocathode, HV, scintillator crystal, PMT
  - QUASAR**
    - + better time resolution, lower dark count + afterpulsing
    - no manufacturer, dynamic range possibly too small
  - X-HPD**
    - possibly too high dark count + too small dyn. range
- Layout: Photocathode, HV, APD
  - HAPD**
    - + should be commercially available soon
    - dyn. range possibly too small
  - QUPID**
    - small size, designed for LAr/LXe, dark count possibly too high, dyn. range poss. too low, detection efficiency not yet known



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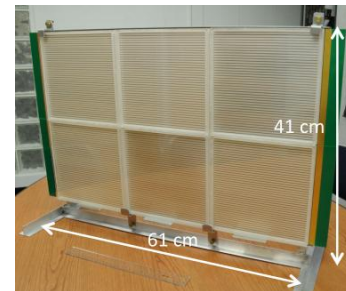
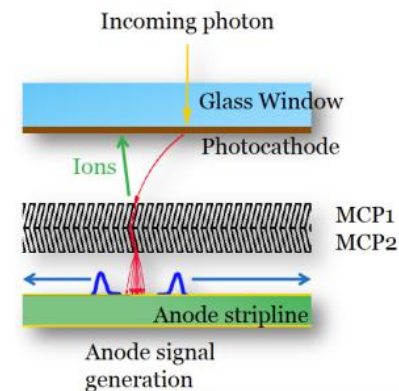
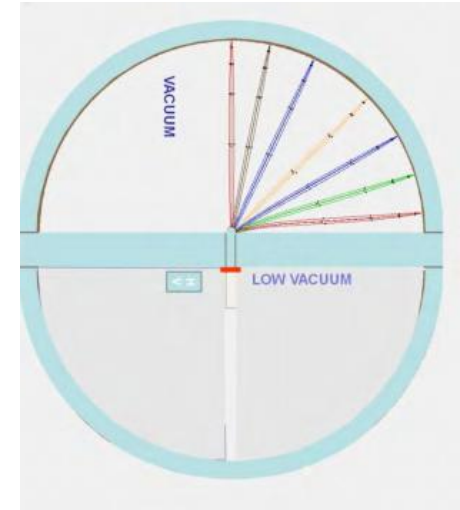
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Probably not:

- Layout: Photocathode, HV, scintillator crystal, SiPM
  - Abalone
    - + simple, robust + cheap design
    - Prototypes not yet stable under atmospheric pressure
- Layout: Photocathode, 2 microchannel plates → anode striplines read out at both ends
  - LAPPD
    - + ps time resolution, large area, position sensitive, cheap(?)
    - no complete prototype yet



## How can we determine the missing properties?

### Measurements at the Borexino PMT testing facility

	R6091 (3") with 1.8" aperture	R6594 (5")	R5912 (8")	R7081 (10")	ETL9351 (8") no. 1732	ETL9351 (8") average
Voltage	+1760V	+1670V	+1425V	+1520V	+1500V	≈+1450V
Gain	$1.0 \cdot 10^7$	$1.0 \cdot 10^7$	$1.3 \cdot 10^7$	$1.3 \cdot 10^7$	$1.0 \cdot 10^7$	$1.0 \cdot 10^7$
pe/trigger (npe)	2.21%	5.53%	1.83%	2.91%	4.78%	5.19%
TTS (FWHM) (manufacturer)	1.89ns (2.0ns)	1.91ns (1.5ns)	2.04ns (2.4ns)	3.05ns (3.5ns)	2.16ns	2.76ns
EP (all non-gaussian)	0.14%	2.95%	1.93%	0.57%	1.23%	0.75%(3 $\sigma$ )
LP (all non-gaussian)	27.29%	34.16%	55.01%	42.90%	8.70%	-
LP (after NP peak)	6.26%	3.13%	2.88%	3.09%	4.08%	7.90%(3 $\sigma$ )
DN	0.192kHz	(5.23kHz)	1.62kHz	2.64kHz	1.72kHz	2.48kHz
DN/cm <sup>2</sup>	12.1 Hz/cm <sup>2</sup> (eff.)	(46.3 Hz/cm <sup>2</sup> )	5.1 Hz/cm <sup>2</sup>	5.3 Hz/cm <sup>2</sup>	5.3 Hz/cm <sup>2</sup>	7.7 Hz/cm <sup>2</sup>
Ion AP	0.14%	0.94%	6.62%	5.12%	2.57%	4.9%
p/V	2.04	3.88	2.99	3.09	2.25	2.10



# PHOTOMULTIPLIER TUBE

## R11780

302 mm (12 inch) Diameter, 10-stage, Hemispherical Window  
Bialkali Photocathode, Head-on Type

### SPECIFICATIONS

#### GENERAL

Parameter	Description / Value	Unit
Spectral Response	300 to 650	nm
Wavelength of Maximum Response	420	nm
Photocathode Material	Bialkali	—
Window Material	Borosilicate glass	—
Minimum Effective Area	φ280	mm
Dynode	Structure	Box & Line
	Number of Stages	10
Capacitances	Anode to Last Dynode	Approx. 13 pF
	Anode to All Other Dynodes	Approx. 18 pF
Base	20-Pin Base / JEDEC No. B20-102	—
Suitable Socket	E678-20B (supplied)	—
Weight	Approx. 2200	g
Operating Ambient Temperature	-30 to +50	°C
Storage Temperature	-30 to +50	°C

#### MAXIMUM RATINGS (Absolute Maximum Values)

Parameter	Value	Unit
Supply Voltage	Between Anode and Cathode	2700 V
	Between Anode and Last Dynode	300 V
Average Anode Current	0.1	mA
Average Cathode Current	100	nA
Ambient Pressure (Gauge)	0.8	MPa

#### CHARACTERISTICS (at 25 °C)

Parameter	Min.	Typ.	Max.	Unit
Cathode Sensitivity	Luminous (2856 K)	—	70	—
	Radiant at 420 nm	—	72	μA/lm
	Blue Sensitivity Index (CS 5-58)	—	9	—
	Quantum Efficiency at 380 nm to 420 nm	—	22	%
Anode Sensitivity	Luminous (2856 K)	—	700	—
	Radiant at 420 nm	—	$7.2 \times 10^5$	A/W
Gain	—	$1 \times 10^7$	—	—
Supply Voltage for Gain of $1 \times 10^7$	—	2000	2500	V
Anode Dark Current (after 30 min storage in darkness)	—	200	1000	nA
Dark Count (after 24 h storage in darkness) <sup>*1</sup>	—	10 000	20 000	s <sup>-1</sup>
Time Response	Anode Pulse Rise Time	—	4	ns
	Electron Transit Time	—	70	ns
	Transit Time Spread (FWHM) <sup>*1, *2</sup>	—	2.6	ns
Pre Pulse <sup>*1, *2</sup>	10 ns to 80 ns before Main Pulse	—	0.5	%
Delay Pulse <sup>*1, *2</sup>	15 ns to 100 ns after Main Pulse	—	4	%
After Pulse <sup>*1, *2</sup>	100 ns to 16 μs after Main Pulse	—	10	%
P/V (Peak to Valley) Ratio <sup>*1, *2</sup>	—	2.0	2.8	—

\*1: LLD: 1.4 p.e. \*2: at single p.e.

#### VOLTAGE DISTRIBUTION RATIO AND SUPPLY VOLTAGE

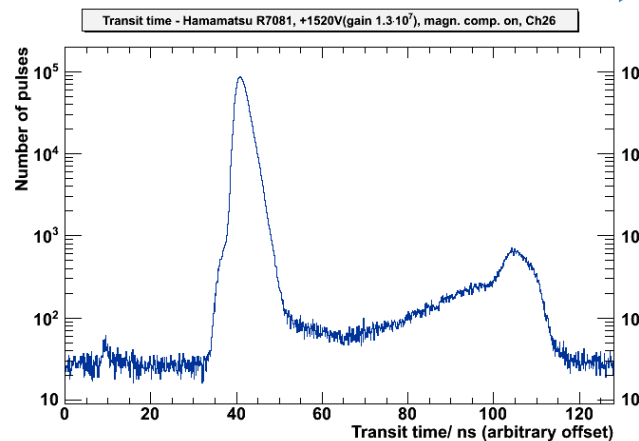
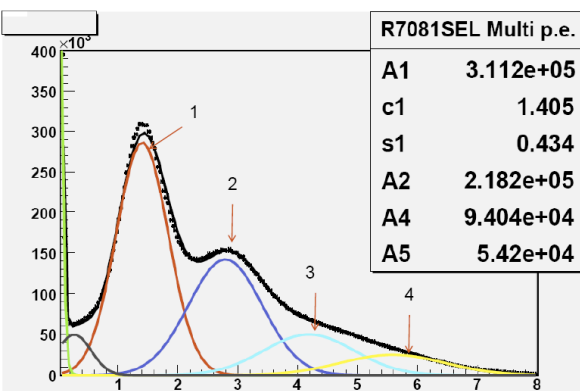
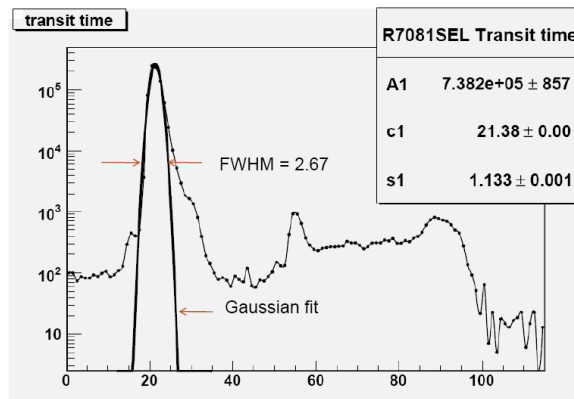
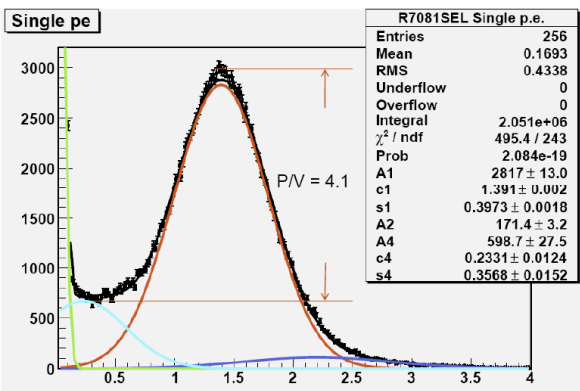
Electrodes	K	Dy1	F	Dy2	Dy3	Dy4	Dy5	Dy6	Dy7	Dy8	Dy9	Dy10	P
Ratio	11.3	0.6	3.4	5	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Capacitors in μF										0.01	0.01	0.01	

Supply Voltage: 2000 V, K: Cathode, Dy: Dynode, P: Anode, F: Focus

# Projects

## Paolo Lombardi

Paolo Lombardi,  
LENA Meeting 2010-07-05



- Study of HQE PMTs:
  - Measured Hamamatsu *super-bialkali PMTs* ( $\approx 34\%$  peak-QE): R6594-SEL, R5912-SEL, R7081-SEL
    - Direct comparison with *standard photocathode PMTs* measured @ Borexino PMT testing facility or Garching setup possible
- Next measurements:
  - Cathode uniformity scan
  - Magnetic field effect
  - Gain vs voltage response
  - Dark noise vs temperature
  - Long term stability

# Pressure encapsulations

- New PMTs being developed for LBNE:
  - Designed for 11bar (81m tank height) + good performance, will have housing around pins (most sensitive area)
  - **Hamamatsu R11780: 12"**
    - Designed from scratch
    - Two independent simulations by Hamamatsu + LBNE → fulfills pressure requirements
    - ≈100 prototypes build → sensor properties look mostly very good by now, will commence pressure tests soon
    - Did pressure tests for R7081 (10"): designed for 7bar, all survived until 10bar, some above 15bar
  - **ETEL D784: 11"**
    - Designed from scratch
    - Simulations → fulfills pressure requirements
- Both manufacturers claim that designs for higher pressure should be possible, problem is not pressure but pressure + high purity water for several 10y

- ***LENA: Do we need pressure encapsulations: for the ID? for the OD?***

- ID (100m height): LAB → ≈9.8bar
- OD (100m height): water → ≈11bar + ultrapure water for 30y
  - a) Use encapsulations
  - b) Develop new PMT type which can withstand 13+bar
  - c) Decrease height

# Pressure withstanding PMT encapsulations for LENA: Pressure simulations

- Simulate behaviour under pressure with a Finite Elements Analysis (FEA) simulation software
  - Engineering drawings and FEA pressure simulations were done with same software
- Software: SolidWorks Educational Edition Academic Year 2010-2011 SP4.0, *Simulation Premium package*
- Settings: Linear static study, 12bar pressure, node distance  $3\text{mm} \pm 0.15\text{mm}$
- Materials: High impact resistant acrylic glass, 1,4404 stainless steel X2CrNiMo17-12-2
- Computer: Intel i7-2600, 8GB DDR3-RAM, AMD Radeon HD 6450 1GB GDDR3, Win7 Prof. 64bit
- So far designs + simulations for 5 candidate PMTs:
  - Hamamatsu: R7081 (10"), R5912 (8"), R6594 (5")
  - Electron Tubes Enterprises Ltd.: 9354 (8"), 9823 (5")
- Was treated in a bachelor thesis by **German Beischler**
  - In consultance with **Harald Hess** (head of workshop + SolidWorks expert of our chair)
  - Continues these studies!



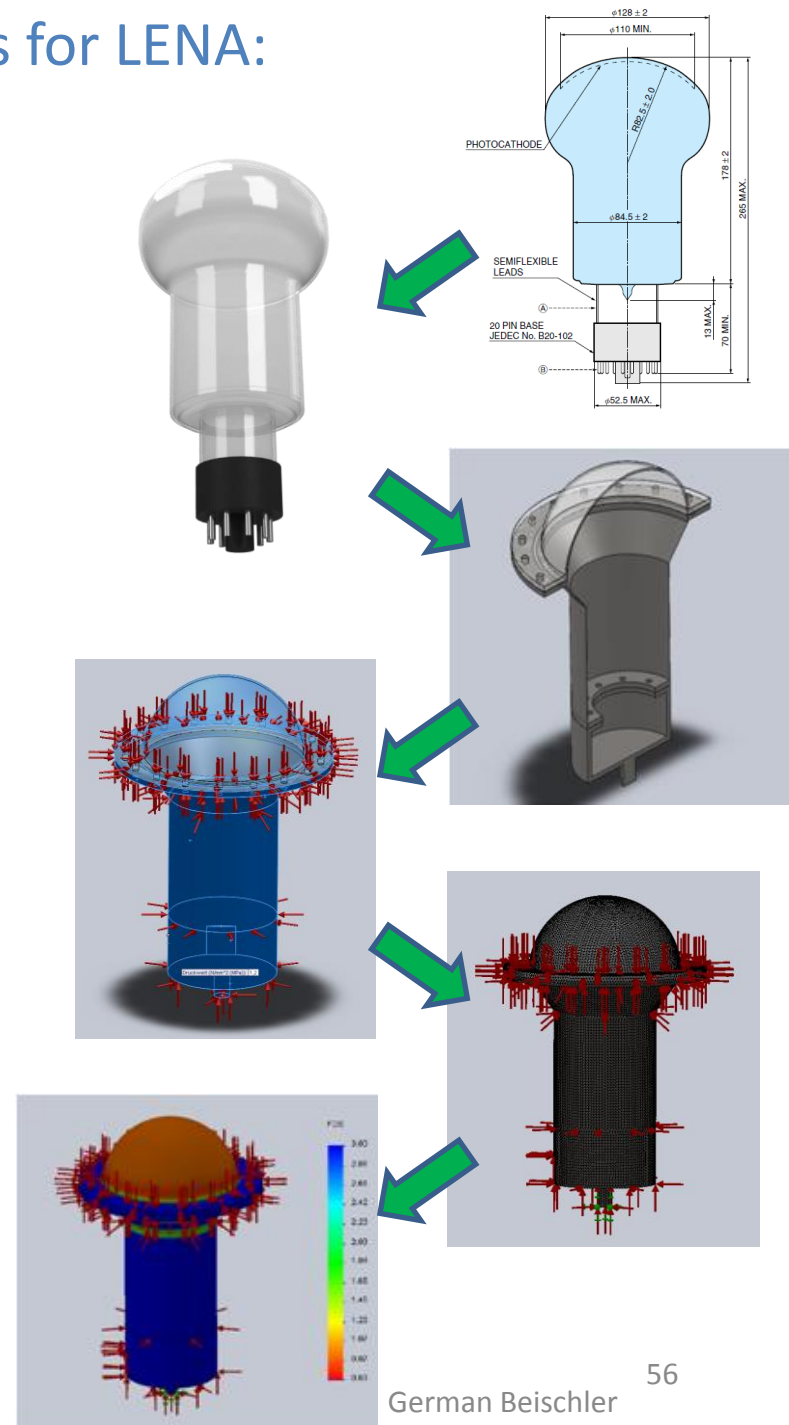
German Beischler

# Pressure withstanding PMT encapsulations for LENA:

## Pressure simulations

### Procedure:

- Import PMT contour from engineering drawing in datasheet
- Rotate to obtain model of PMT
- Construct encapsulation based on PMT dimensions and experience from design of the Borexino + Double Chooz encapsulation
- Simulate encapsulation with 12bar pressure applied
  - Apply forces → meshing → simulate to determine factor of safety
  - Vary thicknesses of acrylic glass + stainless steel to find minimum values
- Compare results for different designs regarding weight (U, Th, K impurities in materials), surface (adsorbed Rn) and construction costs

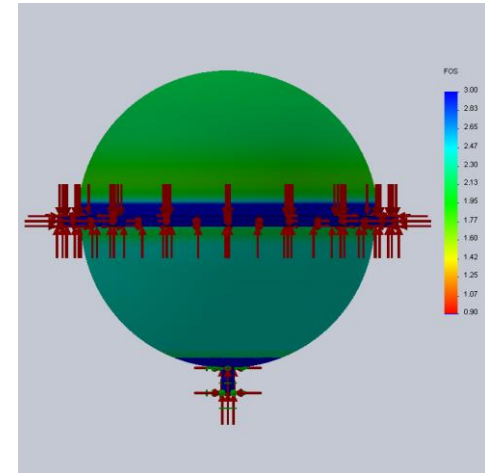
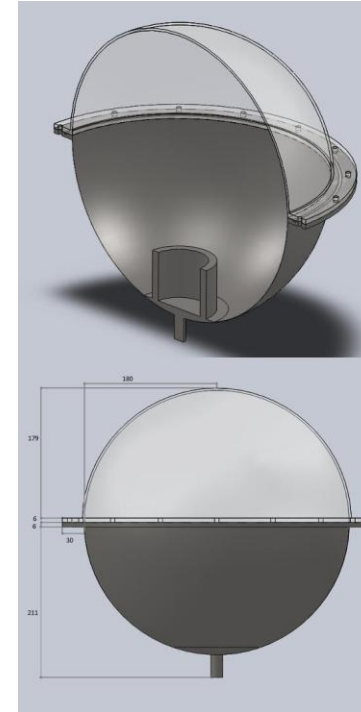
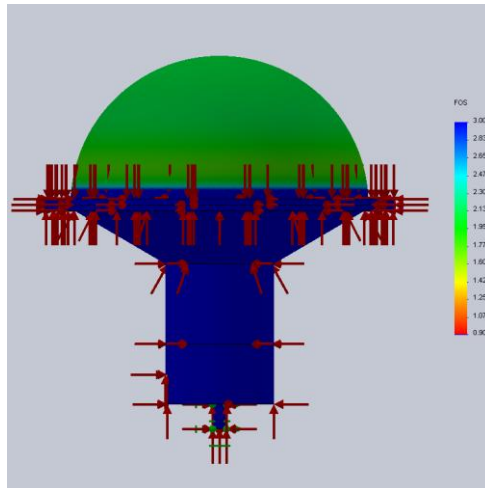
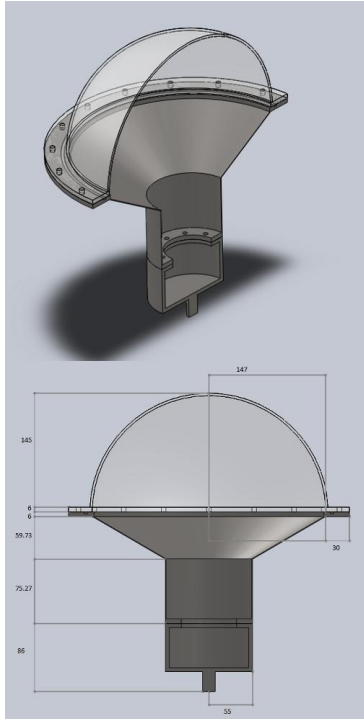
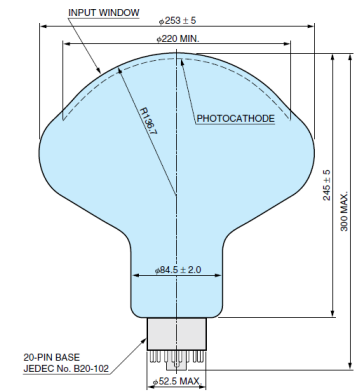




# Pressure withstanding PMT encapsulations for LENA

## Pressure simulation results:

### Hamamatsu R7081 (10")



#### Conical encapsulation:

Steel: 2mm thickness, **4.38kg**  
 Acrylic glass: 4mm thickness, **0.86kg**  
 Total surface: **0.69m<sup>2</sup>**

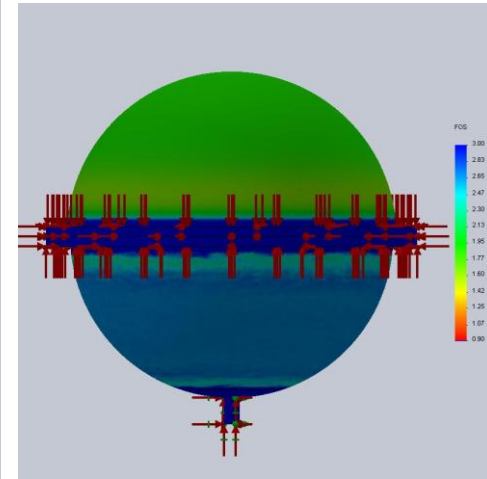
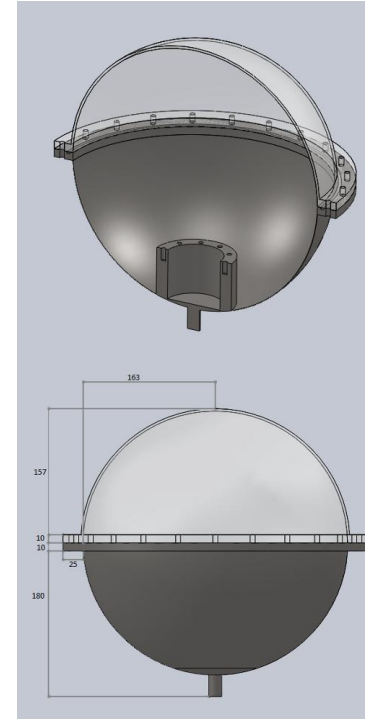
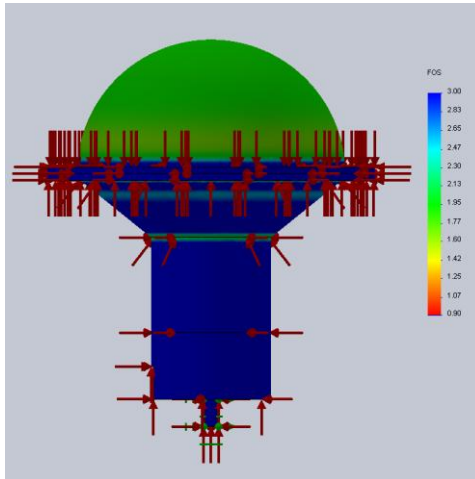
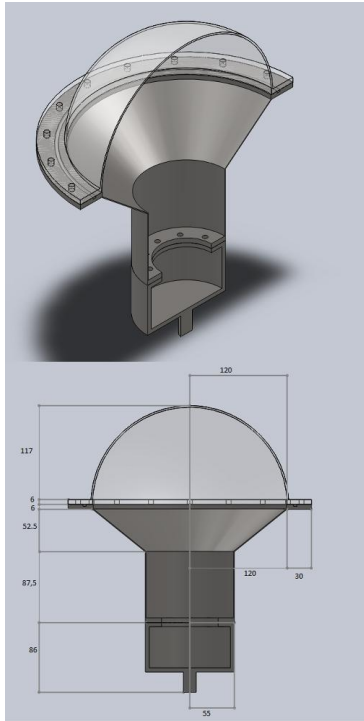
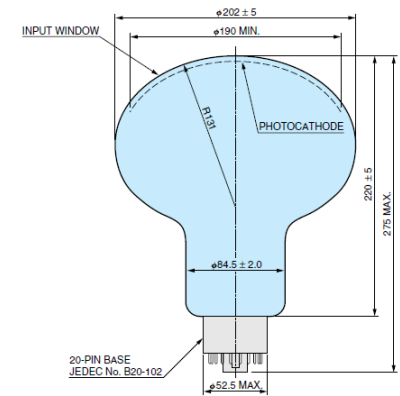
#### Spherical encapsulation:

Steel: 0.5mm thickness, **4.08kg**  
 Acrylic glass: 5mm thickness, **1.48kg**  
 Total surface: **1.01m<sup>2</sup>**

# Pressure withstanding PMT encapsulations for LENA

## Pressure simulation results:

### Hamamatsu R5912 (8")



#### Conical encapsulation:

Steel: 1mm thickness, 3.24kg  
 Acrylic glass: 3mm thickness, 0.50kg  
 Total surface: 0.53m<sup>2</sup>

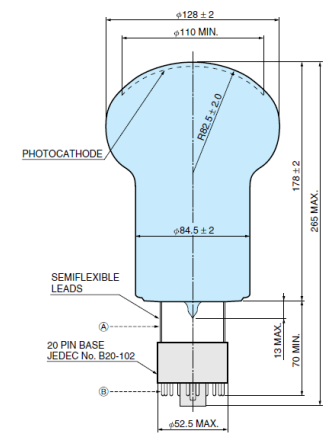
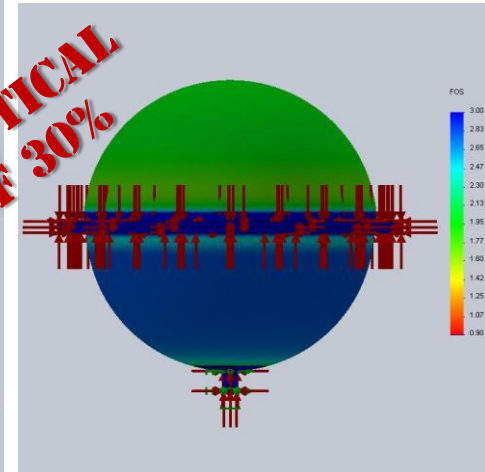
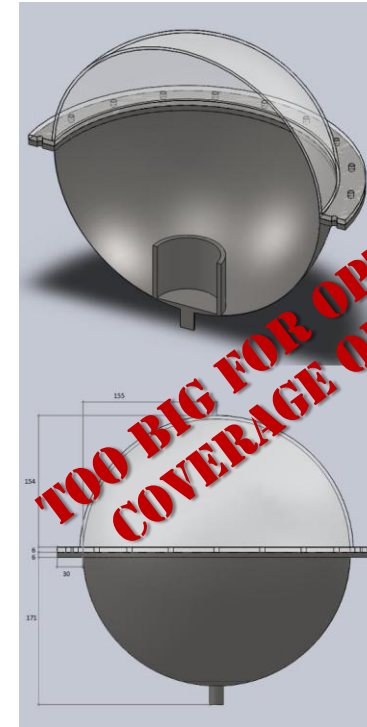
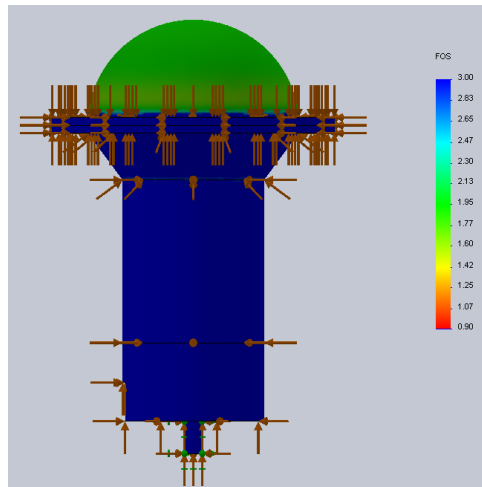
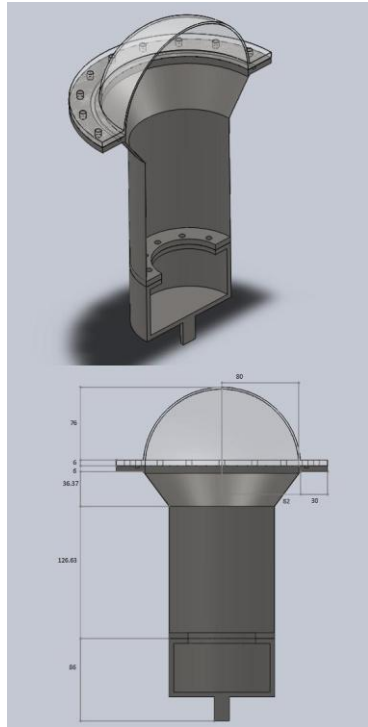
#### Spherical encapsulation:

Steel: 0.5mm thickness, 4.66kg  
 Acrylic glass: 4mm thickness, 1.10kg  
 Total surface: 0.83m<sup>2</sup>

# Pressure withstanding PMT encapsulations for LENA

## Pressure simulation results:

### Hamamatsu R6594 (5")



#### Conical encapsulation:

Steel: 1mm thickness, **2.77kg**  
 Acrylic glass: 2mm thickness, **0.22kg**  
 Total surface: **0.37m<sup>2</sup>**

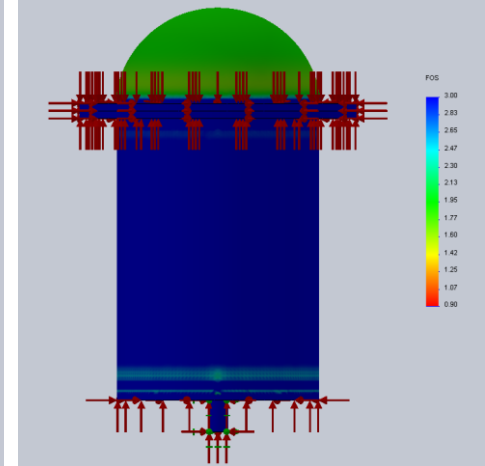
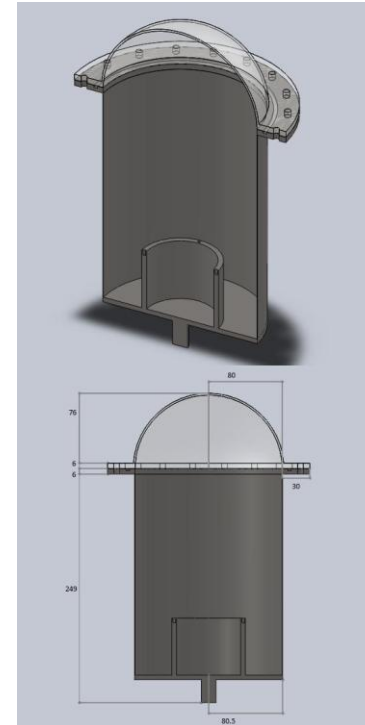
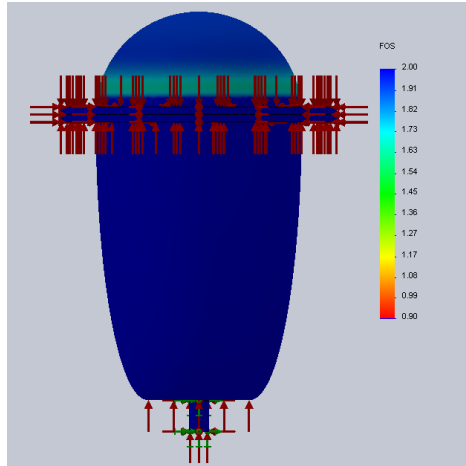
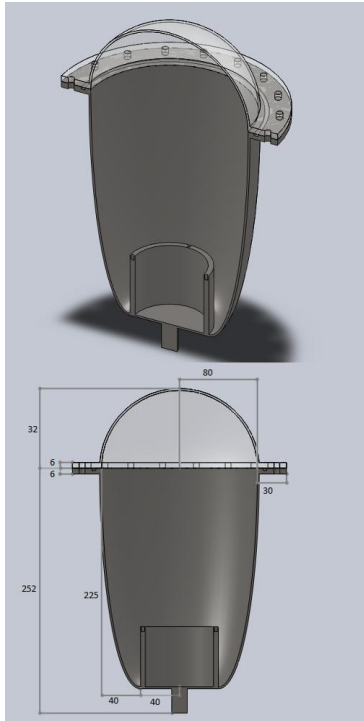
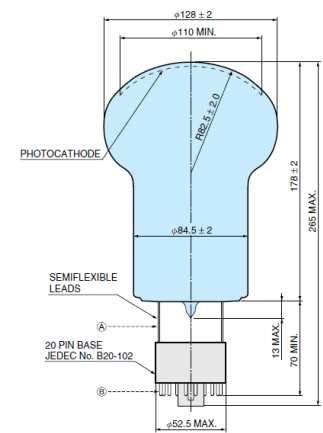
#### Spherical encapsulation:

Steel: 0.5mm thickness, **2.75kg**  
 Acrylic glass: 4mm thickness, **0.94kg**  
 Total surface: **0.78m<sup>2</sup>**

# Pressure withstanding PMT encapsulations for LENA

## Pressure simulation results:

### Hamamatsu R6594 (5")



#### Elliptical encapsulation:

Steel: 2mm thickness, 3.06kg  
 Acrylic glass: 2mm thickness, 0.22kg  
 Total surface: 0.41m<sup>2</sup>

#### Cylindrical encapsulation:

Steel: 0.5mm thickness, 2.61kg  
 Acrylic glass: 2mm thickness, 0.22kg  
 Total surface: 0.46m<sup>2</sup>



## Next steps:

DESIGN +  
SIMULATIONS

- Further crosschecks
- More exact simulations: reduce node distance (locally or globally), use adaptive methods
- Complete design (fixture for PMT inside encapsulation, filling valve) + create complete optical module: incorporate Mu-metal, Winston Cones, connections to other PMTs + wall
- Optimize encapsulations for least weight + least production costs
- Create + simulate designs for further PMTs (R6091, 9822, R11780, D784)
- Distortion analysis
- Aging simulation

BUILD + TEST  
PROTOTYPES

- Build prototype for PMT of choice
- Test in pressure tank
  - Adapt design to meet requirements
  - Influence of PMT implosion on adjacent encapsulations

